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CONGRESS.

The Search on Helper and Harper's Ferry.

Violent Discussion of the Slavery Question.

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THE VOTE FOR SPEAKER.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 7.

PROCEEDINGS ON MR. HALE'S AMENDMENT.

The chair presented a report from the Secretary of the Senate, showing the progress made in the printing of American State papers.

Mr. Hale gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill to repeal the fishing bounties act.

Mr. Fessenden gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill to abolish the franking privilege.

Mr. Mason's resolution was taken up.

Mr. Hale opposed the amendment, thinking one resolution sufficiently summary; with the other, it legislation was required to prevent similar outrages. We now had not to consult foreign nats. He deprecated any attempt to render one political party responsible for such outrages, and denied that any general sympathy had been manifested in the North for Brown or his associates. Brown's conduct was unaccountable. In his crime there was not one quality to redeem it from utter detestation; still he was a brave man. It was the duty of the Federal Government to extend protection to all parts of the Union, and there was no question about its power to do so. Still the attempts to implicate parties without proof was a very dangerous proceeding, and one not calculated to produce quiet in the minds of the people.

Mr. Mallory cite, thinks this resolution has been shorn of all its moral effect, by the covert opposition it had encountered, he was quite indifferent whether it passed or not. The cause of Virginia is the cause of the South; they are proud of the high tone she has taken in this matter, and expect to stand by her. He was not surprised that Senators denied a knowledge of Brown's plans—he expected no less of them;—but the sympathy universally expressed in the North showed that the irrepressible conflict had, indeed, commenced. He referred to HELPER's book in severe condemnation, and said that two indorsers of that book were candidates for Speaker of the House. The only safety for the country was to be found in the Democratic Party.

Mr. Sumner referred to the action of the Massachusetts Senate on the 5th of December as showing their sympathy for Brown; eight members voted for adjournment, and eleven against it, while there were twenty absentees, shirking a vote, and afraid to commit themselves on the record. The disclaimers by Republicans of sympathy with Brown are not worth the paper they are written on. Actions speak louder than words. What do the New-York *Tribune* and Albany *Journal* say? the organs of the Republican Party. He believed that the Northern portion of the Democratic Party was as rotten as the Republicans. There is no difference between Senator Douglas and his supporters on this vital question and Black Republicans themselves. Mr. SHERMAN disclaims knowledge of the contents of HELPER's book, but he ought to have known what they were before indorsing it. The South stands on the brink of a volcano, and unless they take timely action, what will be the consequence? He presumed that Mr. SHERMAN would be elected, for, doubtless, traitors enough would be found in the ranks of the Anti-Lecompton Democrats. But, if such should be the case, he would counsel the Southern members of Congress to retire from these halls and let the Union be dissolved. He did not know as they would follow his advice, for he was regarded as ultra, even in Georgia. He alluded to Mr. Stephens's speech of November, advising the South to put the knife to the throat of their masters and the torch to their dwellings.

Mr. HAMMONDS saw such language in the book, and inquired if the Senator from Georgia had seen it there.

Mr. IVERSON had seen extracts published in the *Herald*, *Constitution* and other papers to that effect.

Mr. CRITTENDEN said the language was fully as strong as that quoted. If Mr. SHERMAN did not know the character of the book he knew the character of its author, for Mr. BIGGS had exposed him in the Senate as a thief.

Mr. FESSENDEN remarked that no one objected to a thorough investigation of this question. There was no disinclination for Senators to express their opinions, for newspaper statements are considered higher authority, and we are told there has been tolling of bells and wearing of crape. He entered his protest against such a mode of judging public opinion. Senators must know something of the North if they think to discover public sentiment in such a way. It is the trade of Democratic newspapers to misrepresent their own people. It was insulting to charge Republican Senators with complicity. He would as soon think of charging the Senator from Virginia with complicity in violating the laws against importing slaves from the coast of Africa.

Mr. BROWN said when Senators disavow these things he would not stand up before his peers and charge them with deliberate falsehood; but the events transpiring in the North were calculated to produce a very different impression upon the Southern mind. Is it usual for notorious malefactors, robbers and traitors to have sympathy expressed for them by the leading journals of the North? Suppose that John Brown, instead of engaging in a foray against Slavery, had made a similar foray into Massachusetts with the view of overturning the Government of the State, would the *Tribune*, *Evening Post*, and other Republican journals have then expressed sympathy for him as they have done? Would New-England clergymen have called their congregations together in prayer meetings for the soul of such a man? Suppose an expedition had been fitted out in Virginia or Carolina to capture the Armory in Springfield, and hold it with the avowed object of planting Slavery in Massachusetts—would they be likely to have demonstrations of sympathy in the South like those lately occurring in the North? If it is not true that sympathy is generally felt for BROWN, let the Republicans call general meetings and disavow it.

Mr. CHANDLER would at a future time discuss the "irrepressible conflict," and show that for the last three thousand years there had been no cessation of that conflict. He was in favor of this resolution for reasons different from those stated by others. This has been the first execution for treason in the United States, and he wanted it to go forth as a warning to all traitors everywhere, no matter whether Garrison Abolitionists, or Southern Governors, who declare that under certain contingencies they will raise their hands against the Constitution and the Union. Let all traitors hang. Threats have been made for thirty years that in certain events this Union would be dissolved. It is no small matter to dissolve the Union. It means bloody revolution, or it means a better. It means a successful overturning of this Government, or it means the fate of John Brown. Abolitionists, as a class, are non-resistants. Where did Brown receive his education in scenes of violence? That education cannot be charged upon the Republican Party. If any political party was responsible for the action of Brown, it is the Democratic Party alone. When he came to Washington he thought there were only two classes that charged complicity on the Republican Party—knaves and fools. But, since he had been here, he had found that knaves at the North had fooled some very sensible people. The occurrence at Harper's Ferry was a very remarkable one. Had twenty-two men—not Captains, but Virginia Generals—undertaken to seize the armory at Springfield, the "women" alone would have bound them in thirty minutes, and had no man been there to assist, they would not have asked for an Investigating Committee, or expected any particular sympathy. The Senator from Virginia wants to know where the money came from. Why, in Canada there were 40,000 fugitive slaves, and 20 cents a head would have been sufficient, without charging it on the Republican Party. As to the statements in the Democratic papers, filled with Government advertisements, it is a villainous press, hired to do dirty work, and it does it thoroughly.

Mr. CRITTENDEN challenged Senators to produce one Republican paper throughout the Northwest which ever justified or sympathized with the act of Brown at Harper's Ferry. They might sympathize with him as an individual, as any man under sentence of death might receive sympathy for personal qualities. Where did all this violence and disregard of the laws begin? Who unchained the tiger and opened up civil war in this country? Let the inquiry be searching and thorough and see who is responsible. He gave the history of the Kansas agitation as the foundation of this trouble. The design of the Republicans was to put down lawless violence, whether from Canada into Virginia, from the Southern States into Nicaragua, or from Missouri into Kansas. The Republican Party stand pledged to sustain the Constitution and the rights of all States, both in the North and South, and will stand by them even to the bitter end, be the consequences what they may. They do not believe that there exists such insanity in the South that they would attempt to break up the Government because a Republican President might be elected. The Republican Party stand pledged to maintain the Union against all enemies whether from Canada or the Southern States. They will arrest them for treason, indict them, and unless a jury acquit them on the ground of insanity, hang them for treason, as sure as there is a God in Heaven.

Mr. CHESTNUT said that the propriety of this resolution was so manifest and its immediate adoption so necessary, he did not believe there was a solitary man on the floor of the Senate who would oppose it. Yet this amendment seemed for the express purpose of trammeling and defeating its force. He hoped it would be withdrawn or voted down. He spoke at some length in regard to the rights of the South and interference with them by Republicans, and read extracts from the speech of Mr. SEWARD in March, 1858, where he spoke of free labor invading Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. How significant was the language. Though he doubtless meant a moral and intellectual invasion, unlettered minds might understand it literally. Addressing the Northern Senators, Mr. CHESTNUT said: If you value the Union as you say you do, it is for you to preserve it. The South cannot preserve the Union. It does not behoove her in her down-trodden and feeble condition. But it is for you. It becomes your interest and your concern in the future. If the Union be so dear to you, it is for you to preserve it, and not for the South.

Mr. KING remarked that his colleague having been alluded to, he would say that it is well known that he pursues his purpose only by constitutional and peaceful means.

Mr. PUGH appealed to Mr. TRUMBULL to withdraw the amendment. He thought it would be generous and honorable to do so.

Mr. TRUMBULL could not consent to withdraw it after what had been said. The avowed object of the resolution was to learn the public sentiment of the North. He wanted, also, to learn the public sentiment of the South, which was equally important. He believed sincerely that the outbreak at Harper's Ferry arose from the teachings and acts of the Democratic Party; by upholding and never rebuking the sacking of the Armory and Arsenal in Missouri, but rewarding the perpetrators of that act with Federal office; also, by sending Government troops into Kansas to arrest men on trumped-up charges of treason. Without concluding, he gave way at a quarter before five o'clock, when the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF THE SLAVERY QUESTION—A QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE—MR. KELLOGG, OF ILLINOIS, IN CONFESSIONAL—CALL OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. KELLOGG rose to a privileged question, and caused to be read from the New-York *Tribune* dispatches, dated the 5th inst., as follows:

"The country must not hold the Republican side of the House responsible for the cowardly performance of to-day. It was the act of a very few fossil Whigs, who are only varnished with Republicanism sufficiently to get into Congress. Mr. Ohio STANTON's motion to adjourn was voted down, 120 to 113, only one Republican voting with him. Mr. Illinois KELLOGG's motion to adjourn, which prevailed by the help of the entire Democratic and South American vote, was condemned by two-thirds of the Republicans, but could not be beaten. The absentees were for a Democrat and South American, who, as counting against a choice, amounts to the same thing. The Democrats, of course, commenced agitating the Negro question, as they always do, in order to waste time and enable their absentees to come in. Had the Republicans sat still in their seats and allowed Missouri Slave to ventilate fully his ignorance and stupidity with regard to HELPER's *Impending Crisis*, and then insisted on calling the roll, and so persevered till midnight if necessary, Mr. SHERMAN would pretty certainly have been chosen Speaker on the third ballot. Now the election may be made to-morrow, and it may not this month.

Mr. CLARK was allowed to utter the most egregious, though, I presume, unintentional falsehoods with regard to HELPER's book—such as that it recommends treason, rapine and murder—without a word of refutation. He was not even required to read the passages on which his charges were based. This was probably well; but the adjournment was not allowed. I trust that the indignation freely expressed by a great majority of the Republicans will prevent a repetition of to-day's recreancy. If so, the present evil will work out great ultimate good. H. G.

Mr. KELLOGG wished to show the false position Mr. GREELEY holds to the Republican Party. When his (KELLOGG's) constituents complain of him, then it would be time for the gentleman of New-York to complain. If the Republicans have any regard for their own dignity, they will rebuke those who by trickery prepare papers for others to sign. When the struggle in Illinois commenced, Mr. GREELEY and others met in the parlor of Senator DOUGLAS, plotting and planning to sell Illinois and Missouri too. He (KELLOGG) knew it, and could prove it. He never loved a traitor. The idea was to make Mr. DOUGLAS Senator—to reëlect him—and it was done. Mr. DOUGLAS in the meantime was declaring that he was a Democrat. When the battle had been fought Mr. GREELEY did say that Mr. DOUGLAS was a Free Soiler good enough for him. He (KELLOGG) had no knowledge or recollection that he signed the recommendation for the Helper book. He never saw it. There was not a man in his District who would trample on the constitutional rights of the South. The North was becoming less and less Democratic, and the South stronger and stronger Democratic, and the time would soon come when a great majority of the people would be Republican.

Mr. McCLERNAND replied that if such a consultation occurred, how came his colleague (KELLOGG) to know it? If the consultation was private, he, as an individual, would have scorned to repeat what was said. It was strange that such a charge should now be made after it was known that Mr. GREELEY had endeavored to defeat Mr. DOUGLAS' reëlection, employing unscrupulous means to that purpose. Money, too, to that end was raised in New-York, whether by Mr. GREELEY's influence or not he could not say. Mr. GREELEY not only used his Press but his private influence to defeat Mr. DOUGLAS. Illinois has always been Democratic. She is for the Union, the whole Union, and the rights of the South and North. He condemned Mr. SEWARD's sentiments. The Republican movement had been prolific of most deplorable consequences, which he proceeded to detail. Toward the conclusion of his remarks, he said the question was, whether they should elect a Speaker standing on a national or sectional platform. He was for the former.

Mr. KELLOGG, in reply, said he was not at the conference, but what he had stated was the fact. He was pleased with the remarks of his colleague, Mr. McCLERNAND, who, if had been said was not in full communication with his party, but who now sung psalms to the union of the States, and the union of the Democratic Party. He (KELLOGG) had always known that new converts uniformly shout the loudest.

Mr. WELLS said the Republicans were anxious to organize the House. He offered a resolution, which was adopted, to invite the clergymen of the city to open the sessions of the House with prayer. Let us, he remarked, lift our faith to the Father of all, asking for His guidance. He hoped the divine blessing of the Almighty would rest on this assembly.

Mr. MORRIS, of Illinois, wanted to know his colleague's authority for his statement, alleging an agreement between DOUGLAS and GREELEY such as has been charged.

Mr. KELLOGG did not think proper to make the declaration.

Mr. MORRIS replied that if he had been in a private parlor he should not have detailed private conversation. This was the first time he had heard that charge. He believed there was not one iota of truth in it. Mr. DOUGLAS was elected by the Democracy of that State which had adopted him as its son. He said a few more such scenes as those of yesterday, and we should hear the crack of the revolver, and see the gleam of the burnished knife.

Mr. GARNETT regretted that any personal affairs should have entered into this discussion, and that the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. KELLOGG) should have resorted to any game of strategy to gain a temporary advantage by supporting the resolution of Mr. CLARK. He had a higher motive. He wanted to know at the threshold what are the purposes and sentiments of the North. He spoke of those who signed the recommendation for the circulation of HELPER's compendium in terms of condemnation, saying, the infamous creature HELPER was taken into FRANCIS P. BLAIR's confidence. He alluded to the meetings at the North sympathizing with Mr. BROWN and his schemes for invading Virginia to run of slaves and render slaves valueless. When General WALKER got up his expedition to invade Nicaragua, gentlemen appealed to the neutrality laws to prevent him, but here you invade a sister State and nothing is done to prevent it. If you wish to preserve the Union, you must go home to the North and put down Abolitionism; you must do for us what we do for foreign nations.

Mr. LAMAR, in the course of his remarks, said the correspondence brought to light shows that SEWARD is implicated in the proceedings to excite servile insurrection, the object of which is to present the South as a bleeding victim at the feet of Northern power. (Applause.) We will, he said, have explicit avowals on this and other subjects. (Applause.) The gentleman from New-York (Mr. PALMER) remarked, on Monday, that they would put the negro out. Let us see you do it! (Applause.) He then argued that the Constitution protected Slavery, and made it a part or particle of the Federal Government, as it is an important element of the Federal power. Put the negro out at your peril! Regarding the Constitution as their protection, the South were resolved to maintain the rights under it. But you of the North have taken issue with the Constitution, and are determined to throw off its restrictions. This is the fight, and we are determined to meet it. He would not disturb the nerves of those timid men to whom Mr. STEVENS alluded to yesterday. What the latter said was spoken in irony. So far from the North being apprehensive of danger, he believed the North desired to drive the South to disunion, but the North would need no better man to lead them to the conflict when he should point them to the leader of the buckshot war. [Laughter.] His achievements in that will enable him to leap out of the window. [Renewed laughter.] Mr. LAMAR desired to say that he was no disunionist *per se*; he was devoted to the Constitution and the Union. Put out the light of the Constitution, and where was the promethean spark which could the light relume? We will not permit any persistent violation of its terms, and he would fight for this so long as blood flowed in his veins. The Republicans were not innocent of the blood of JOHN BROWN.

Mr. KELLOGG, in response to an inquiry of Mr. LAMAR, said namely, that Slavery is a State, not a National institution; beyond that it has no warrant in the Federal Constitution. As Slavery is a great moral, political and social wrong, he would resist by all Constitutional power its extension to the Territories.

Mr. LAMAR asked, are you not in favor of exerting the power of Congress to exclude Slavery from the Territories in order that there may be no more Slave States?

Mr. KELLOGG—Before my country and my God I desire the blighting curse of Slavery shall never extend beyond its present limits. [Applause.]

Mr. LAMAR asked whether he believed its exclusion from the Territories by law of Congress was the Constitutional way?

Mr. KELLOGG—I do.

Mr. LAMAR—Silence, ye gods, these dumb Republicans and make them speak their sentiments. [Applause and laughter.]

Here a member said, one speaker at a time. [Excessive laughter.]

Mr. LAMAR—I am exceedingly glad to hear that luminous remark. [Prolonged laughter.] As the gentleman from New-York (Mr. CLARK) yesterday said there is no Abolitionist at the North, I would recommend to him a sentiment from the Bible, namely, "Know thyself." [Excessive laughter.]

Mr. NELSON favored Mr. GREENE's substitute, proposing to ignore the agitation of the Slavery question. While no man would go further than he in denouncing HELPER's infamous pamphlet, he would not give it dignity and importance by discussion. He agreed not with extremists, either at the North or South, and proceeded to show the progress of nullification in South Carolina, and abolitionism in the North. He eulogized ex-President FILLMORE, and spoke of his patriotism and ability, which remarks called forth applause from all parts of the House. In conclusion, he made an eloquent and stirring appeal to the patriotism of members to make sacrifices on the altar of the country, which was frequently applauded.

Mr. WINslow asked the House to informally pass over the pending question, and have a vote for Speaker.

Cries of "Agreed," "Vote."

On motion of Mr. PHELPS there was a call of the House, and all the members were found to be present, except Messrs. ADAMS of Kentucky, ADRAIN of New-Jersey, STALLWORTH and LAWRENCE of Alabama, and SMITH of North Carolina.

Mr. PRYOR replied to Mr. NELSON. He thought the latter was, after his remarks and declaration that he was a slaveholder, likely to lose the respect of slaveholders.

Mr. NELSON—I have no apprehension from you. (Sensation.)

Mr. PRYOR—I am not to be disturbed by anything you may say or dare to do. He then proceeded to say that he (NELSON) had endeavored to put the South in a position they would not sustain. The gentleman from Tennessee had told the House he loved the Constitution, but his language, above all others, was calculated to hurry on an inevitable catastrophe, when he, in face of foes proclaimed there was no danger. He (PRYOR) objected to Mr. NELSON's remarks being received as the exposition of popular sentiment in the South. The gentleman had thrown himself into the ranks of the Black Republican Opposition. He (PRYOR) contended that the *protection* designed to be afforded by the fathers of the Government has been prostituted to the aims of sectional fanaticism. The Representatives of the South will never consent that the creature and champion of the Republican Party (meaning SHERMAN) shall take possession of the Speaker's Chair.

Mr. NELSON said that he did not know that he clearly understood the remarks of the gentleman of Virginia, but he would say to him that so far as he was concerned he did not belong to that class who resort to duels for settling disputes, nor did he indulge in useless bravado. He was competent to protect himself either in or out of the House.

Mr. PRYOR was understood to say "Keep quiet."

Mr. NELSON had no apprehension. He was not in the habit of speaking with a forked tongue. He understood Mr. PRYOR associated himself and the American Party with the Black Republicans.

Mr. PRYOR—No, I dissociated you from the Southern opposition.

Mr. NELSON said he sought no escape and had uttered nothing here that he had not avowed to his constituents.

Mr. PRYOR disclaimed any personal ultimations.

Mr. NELSON said, as to the charge of being an American, he regarded it as a glory instead of a term of reproach; and as an antecedent, he would tell Mr. PRYOR, that he (NELSON) not only claimed to be an American, but he had been a Whig all his life. There was one remark of Mr. PRYOR in which he agreed. It was made by him as editor of a paper in this city. It did good service in the contest in Tennessee. [VOICES—What was it?] "From the highways and byways of Government there comes up an insufferable stench." [Excessive laughter.] In this sentiment he agreed. (Renewed screams of laughter.) He thought Mr. PRYOR, in uttering this remark, had talked like a man of sense. The gentleman from Virginia said that he (NELSON) had talked about the Union, but not about the Constitution. Now the Secessionists talked about the Constitution, but not about the Union. He spoke about that which was the result of the Constitution; the Union carries everything with it. [Applause.]

Mr. BOCOCK understood the gentleman to put the Union above the Constitution.

Mr. NELSON—I put them together, for one cannot exist without the other. [Applause.] He said that if Mr. PRYOR was a disunionist or a secessionist, he did not believe that gentleman represented the sentiment of the South. As far as Tennessee was concerned he could stand up and say that no man there of any note sympathizes with the disunion sentiment. [Applause.]

Mr. PRYOR inquired of Mr. NELSON whether he, as a representative of a Southern constituency, in the event of the election of a Black Republican President, would vote to remain in the Union.

Mr. NELSON spoke only for himself. Much as he would deprecate such an event, yet he did not believe that the election of a Black Republican President would of itself be cause for dissolution, for they ought to wait and see whether he would do anything injurious to the rights of the South. [Applause.] In further reply to Mr. PRYOR, he said that, if such a President should commit an overt act, he would link his shield with those of the secessionists to right the wrong.

Several gentlemen asked questions of Mr. NELSON, which he pertinently and good humoredly answered. Mr. NELSON repelled as a foul calumny the charge that he had any political association with the Republicans. He would vote for any good national man for Speaker. In further reply to Mr. PRYOR he uttered union-loving sentiments, which, as before, were rapturously applauded.

Mr. PRYOR said he would not allow himself to be involved in any personal altercation. He on his responsibility reaffirmed what he had said of Mr. NELSON, namely: That Mr. NELSON was, whether willfully or not, he was virtually, in alliance with the Republicans or Opposition.

Mr. NELSON replied he was responsible to his constituents, and again denied such an association as was charged. As Mr. PRYOR had said Southern members would not permit Mr. SHERMAN, if elected, to take the Speaker's seat, he wished to know whether Mr. PRYOR meant they would resort to violence.

Mr. PRYOR—Certainly not, but to legitimate Parliamentary opposition.

Mr. NELSON—Of course there could be no objection to that.

The House then proceeded to vote for Speaker, and the following was the result:

Sherman	107	Gilmer	22
Bocock	88	Scattering	14

Whole number of votes, 231; necessary to a choice, 116. Adjourned at 5¾ o'clock.

THE DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

Intense Excitement on Tuesday—A Collision Momentarily Imminent—Chances of Organization.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1859.

The proceedings of the two Houses of Congress, to-day, verify, to the very letter, all my predictions about the agitation policy of the Democratic Party, in introducing into the two bodies, at this early day, the resolutions which have lead to an exciting debate, and which are likely to occupy the entire attention of Congress for some days to come. The investigation proposed by Senator MASON, of Virginia, is of itself highly proper, and may be productive of great good, but the object of introducing it, and of introducing it in advance of any organization of the House of Representatives, was purely to affect the election of Speaker, and, if possible, defeat the coalition of the Republicans with any other party. The resolution was auxiliary to Gen. CLARK's, which has already elicited much excited debate, and many criminations and recriminations—altogether inconsistent with harmony among the representatives of the people, or with the public interests of the country.

It is melancholy to see to what extent men will go to subserve party purposes. Many give Mr. GREENE, of North Carolina, the credit of honesty of purpose in offering his substitute to CLARK's resolution. The resolutions embody the conservative platforms of the Democratic and Old Whig Parties, and to all national men are wholly unexceptionable; and the impression was made on the minds of the Democrats, intentionally, too, that Mr. GREENE really desired their adoption by the House, and yet, to use his own language, his carefully drawn proposition was only designed "to throw Mr. CLARK out of court," when his resolutions, then substituted for CLARK's, could be easily laid on the table. Such is the honesty among politicians here, and such the maneuvering in Congress to avoid a direct vote on any proposition involving responsibility.

This is Parliamentary tactics, but not being understood in the instance referred to by some of the Republicans, a motion was made to lay the resolution and substitute on the table, which did not prevail, the vote standing 116 to 115. Before another vote could be had, the debate had taken a wide range, and before it is brought to a close, days may elapse. It must be understood that the House is now acting under the rules of general parliamentary law, and not under the rules of the House, as no rules can be adopted until after the organization. Hence, there is no way of cutting off debate. When a question of "order" is raised, the debate continues upon that question as if there had been no interruption.

There are a number of Democrats anxious to be heard on the "Impending Crisis of the South," and in denunciation generally of Mr. SEWARD and his party friends—and where it will end it is difficult to surmise. Already have the worst passions been excited, and many unkind expressions used in debate. So great has the excitement become, that we were, to-day, on the eve of a most disgraceful scene in the House hall, without the least provocation leading to it. Messrs. CRAWFORD of Georgia, and STEVENS of Pennsylvania, the parties directly involved, were entirely courteous to each other, and their language unexceptionable. The words being in only conversational tone, and not understood by the members around, and Mr. CRAWFORD approaching Mr. STEVENS as he spoke, there appeared to be a simultaneous impression over the Hall that a fight was on hand. The Democrats in a moment were pressing around Mr. CRAWFORD, armed to the teeth, while Republicans came to the rescue of Mr. STEVENS. Intense excitement instantly prevailed, and loud calls for order were heard. Every one seemed to expect a general explosion, when fortunately a motion for adjournment was made, the Ayes and Nays ordered, and members resumed their seats. This incident well illustrates the inflammable condition of the body; and should, unfortunately, a blow be struck, it is fearful to think of the consequences. It will not be the ordinary combat of former years, but war to the knife.

It is now very uncertain when an organization will be had, but the result, though postponed, will be the same in the end. The Republicans are morally certain of the organization.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 7.

The Republicans have united on Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. BOCOCK's vote has been increased by Messrs. RUFF and HAMILTON. The Southern Americans voted for Mr. GILMER. Mr. HORACE F. CLARK voted for Mr. RENFROE, Mr. HASKIN for Mr. HICKMAN, and Messrs. REYNOLDS and REESE for Mr. DAVIS, of Indiana.

NORTH AND SOUTH.

SYMPATHY WITH THE SOUTH.

PRELIMINARY MOVEMENT IN NEW-YORK.

MEETING OF PROMINENT CITIZENS AT THE LAFARGE HOUSE.

A call was published yesterday for a meeting of citizens at the Lafarge House to express their sentiments in behalf of the South in reference to the recent outbreak in Virginia, and to make arrangements for a public meeting at a further day. Nearly a hundred persons attended. The meeting was called to order by JOSHUA J. HENRY, who nominated JAMES W. BEEKMAN, Esq., to preside. The nomination was accepted, after which Mr. HENRY was elected Secretary.

Calls were made for Judge BRONSON, and in response Hon. GREENE C. BRONSON addressed the meeting. He said he knew so little of the object of the meeting that it would seem more fitting that some other speak to them upon the subject. But as he understood it, it was to declare the sentiments of the people of this City in relation to the great topic that excited public attention for some weeks past—the principal feature of it being to show to our brethern in other sections of the Union that we were not their enemies—that we did not intend to encroach upon their rights of property or domestic affairs, but that it was our desire that we should all live together as brethren. [Applause.] He knew it was fashionable to speak of us as Union saviours, but his own judgment was (and he was reputed to be an old man) that no people could long hold together when a portion of that people was constantly assailing the other portion, and he thought it became all right-minded citizens to arise, superior to mere party associations, and declare the principle which lay at the foundation of our institutions—that principle which, as he understood the Constitution, placed it within the jurisdiction of the several States to manage their internal affairs as they deemed it proper. [Applause.] He was for standing firmly by the rights of the South, and to leave it to them, in their own good time, to deal with the troublesome question. [Applause.] In the meantime, he would say that he thought there should be but one sentiment among us—that was, that we would not build up political parties upon any question that struck the minds of men with prejudice. [Applause.] And he hoped that, whatever was done, no political party would be attacked by name, nor any man by association, but that we lay down a principle that would bring every man to the test: Let all men, whatever be their political association, satisfy the South that we intend to stand by the principles upon which the Constitution was formed. [Applause.]

Calls were made for JAMES BROOKS, but that gentleman declined to speak.

Mr. HENRY moved the appointment of a Committee of thirteen to make arrangements for a general public meeting.

B. M. WHITLOCK then addressed the meeting. He said that while Judge BRONSON wanted the meeting to be severed entirely from any political bias, or reflecting upon any political party, we ought not to act here to-night as a band of new recruits, willing to swear allegiance to our country, but we ought to look back upon our history and say that the gentlemen here had not come together for the first time to register themselves in favor of our common country. It was humiliating that they come together and say that they loved their brethren of the South any more than their brethren of Vermont or New-Hampshire, therefore he begged it to be understood that this was a meeting of old citizens—tried citizens—with strong, faithful bents in behalf of the Union, and not made so by a serious want which had recently taken place. The call had been for a meeting to sympathize with the South. But the South wanted none of our sympathy. She wanted justice—not sympathy. [Applause.]

The President announced as the Committee, in accordance with the action of the meeting, the following gentlemen:

Matthew Morgan, Watts Sherman, Gerard Hallock, B. M. Whitlock, S. M. Barlow, Joshua J. Henry, Wm. H. Appleton, Wilson G. Hunt, E. E. Morgan, J. F. Soutter, James Brooks and Henry Grinnell.

On motion, the President, ALEXANDER T. STEWART and JOHN JACOB ASTOR, Jr., were severally added to the Committee.

A similar motion to add Mr. WM. H. HAVEMEYER to the Committee was lost.

After a brief speech by ALEXANDER F. STEWART, JAMES BROOKS was called upon. He alluded to the apathy with which men frequently treated the subject of the perpetuation of our Union, and of the manner in which those who desired that it be continued are characterized dough-faces and dirt-eaters. It was our duty to submit to these imputations. When danger existed, self-sacrifice was necessary, or if danger did not exist it was our duty when fire-brands were thrown among our neighbors to let them know they did not come from us. In conclusion, Mr. BROOKS said that whatever might be the feeling of indifference to the Union and the disregard for that bond, he thanked God, that the bond of commerce was strong enough to keep the Union together.

After a few remarks by the President, the meeting adjourned.

MASS MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Dec. 7.

A grand Union mass-meeting of citizens, irrespective of party, was held to-night, in Jaynes' Hall, the object being to reaffirm allegiance to the Union and Constitution, and to condemn all fanaticism. Hon. JOSEPH R. INGERSOLL presided. A series of resolutions were adopted expressing earnest sympathy with their fellow-citizens of Virginia,—declaring that no laws were more obligatory on the citizens of the Republic than those prescribing the duty of restoring fugitives from labor,—disavowing any wish or right to interfere with the domestic institutions of the sister States, and reprobating in the strongest terms all attempts to excite servile insurrection, or to arouse those who are lawfully held in servitude, to violence or bloodshed. Also, approving of the recent administration of justice in Virginia, and the energy and fidelity of Gov. WISE, and of the conduct of the Governor of Pennsylvania in promptly surrendering the fugitives from justice. Finally, they assure their brethren of the South that there exists among the people of Pennsylvania a determined spirit to assert and maintain the Constitution and the right of States under it, and asking in return their confidence, and that dignified moderation which confidence and patriotic sympathy inspire.

The meeting was the largest ever held in this city, and an immense gathering. Jayne's Hall was overcrowded, and a sub-meeting was held on Chestnut-street. Ex-Mayor VAUX and other prominent citizens addressed an immense assemblage from the balcony of Jones' Hotel. There has not been so much excitement and enthusiasm for many years. The squares along Chestnut-street were crowded.

INCENDIARY PUBLICATIONS IN THE MAILS

LETTER FROM POSTMASTER-GENERAL HOLT.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT, Dec. 5, 1859.

SIR: I am in receipt of your letter of the 3d inst., in which, after referring to the opinion of the Attorney-General of Virginia sustaining the constitutionality of the statute of that State, denouncing, under heavy penalties, the circulation of books, newspapers, pamphlets, &c., tending to incite the slave population to insurrection, you ask to be instructed as to your duty in reference to such documents should they be received through the mails for distribution at the post-office of which you have charge.

The statute alluded to is in the following words:

"Sec. 28. If a free person write or print, or cause to be written or printed, any book or other thing with intent to advise or incite negroes in this State to rebel or make insurrection, or inculcating resistance to the right of property of masters in their slaves, or if he shall, with intent to aid the purposes of any such book or writing, knowingly circulate the same, he shall be confined in the Penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years."

Sec. 26. If a postmaster or deputy postmaster know that any such book or other writing has been received at the office in the mail, he shall give notice thereof to some justice, who shall inquire into the circumstances, and if he find such book or writing burned in his presence. And if it appear to him that the person to whom it was directed authorized the transfer, knowing its character, or agreed to receive it for circulation to aid the purposes of Abolitionists, the justice shall commit such person to jail.

If any postmaster or deputy postmaster violate this section, he shall be fined not exceeding $200.

The point raised by your inquiry is, whether this statute is in conflict with the act of Congress regulating the administration of this Department, which declares that "if any Postmaster shall unlawfully detain in his office any letter, package, pamphlet or newspaper, with the intent to prevent the arrival and delivery of the same to the person or persons to whom such letter, package, pamphlet or newspaper may be addressed or directed, in the usual course of the transportation of the mail along the route, he shall, on conviction thereof, be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, and imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months, and shall moreover be forever thereafter incapable of holding the office of Postmaster in the United States."

The question thus presented was fully decided by Attorney-General Cushing in the case of the Zanesville Post-office. (Opinions of Attorney-Generals, vol. 8, 489.) He there held that a statute of Mississippi, in all respects analogous to that of Virginia as cited, was not inconsistent with the act of Congress quoted, prescribing the duties of postmasters in regard to the delivery of mail matter, and that the latter as good citizens, were bound to yield obedience to such State laws. You are referred to the luminous discussion of the case for the arguments urged by that distinguished civilian in support of the conclusion at which he arrived. The judgment thus pronounced has been cheerfully acquiesced in by this Department, and now is recognized as one of the guides of the administration. The authority of Virginia to enact such a law rests upon that right of self-preservation which belongs to every government and people, and which has never been surrendered, nor indeed can it be. One of the most solemn constitutional obligations imposed on the Federal Government is that of protecting the States against "insurrection" and "domestic violence"—of course, none of its instrumentalities can be lawfully employed in inciting, even in the remotest degree, to this very crime, which involves in its train all others, and with the suppression of which it is specially charged. You must, under the responsibilities resting upon you as an officer and as a citizen, determine whether the books, pamphlets, newspapers, &c., received by you for distribution, are of the incendiary character described in the statute; and, if you believe they are, then you are not only not obliged to deliver them to those to whom they are addressed but you are empowered and required, by your duty to the State of which you are a citizen, to dispose of them in strict conformity to the provisions of the law referred to. The people of Virginia may not only forbid the introduction and dissemination of such documents within their borders, but, if brought there in the mails, they may, by appropriate legal proceedings, have them destroyed. They have the same right to extinguish fire-brands, thus impiously hurled into the midst of their homes and altars, that a man has to pluck the burning fuse from a bomb-shell which is about to explode at his feet.

Very respectfully, your obient servant,

Mr. CHARLES A. OTRUM, J. HOLT.

Postmaster at Falls Church, Va.

THE RUMORED ORGANIZATION TO RESCUE JOHN BROWN.

With reference to the statements that the Virginians had no good ground for their fears that an attempt would be made to rescue BROWN on the day of his execution, the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, of the 6th inst., says:

"We have important information upon the subject which has not yet been given to the public. While returning from the execution at Charlestown, we fell in company with several persons whose official and social position in Virginia afforded opportunity to become possessed of information that could be reached by no others. In the course of conversation we were assured that Gov. WISE had the most reliable and authentic information that there was a secret organization, extending throughout Ohio, Pennsylvania and New-York, and numbering some 3,000 persons, bound together by a solemn oath, who were sworn to attempt the rescue of old JOHN BROWN. One source from which this information was obtained, was a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature, with whom Gov. WISE corresponded. It is also well known to persons who were informed in regard to the operations of the State authorities, that for a number of weeks several detectives from Baltimore and New-York have been actively traveling through Ohio, Pennsylvania and New-York, to gain information in regard to the reported recent organization. The informant, who gives us the details of these investigations, stated that one of the detectives from New-York was actually admitted amongst the rescue gang that he took the oath administered to each, and that in the course of his association with the leaders, *he slept with a son of old John Brown and with Tidd*, both of whom made their escape from Harper's Ferry after the others had fallen into the hands of the military. This intimacy gave the detective an opportunity of gaining the desired information in regard to the contemplated invasion and rescue, which was communicated to Gov. WISE, in detail, and being of a reliable and positive character, he felt himself warranted in taking such steps as would preserve the honor of the State, and prevent the effusion of blood. With this information in his possession, Gov. WISE would not have performed his whole duty to the State if he had not provided against a violation of her laws. We are also assured that after the execution of the associates of old BROWN, on the 19th instant, that the facts already obtained in regard to the recent organization, will be given to the public, together with such details and names of persons as it may be proper to expose to the world.

NO PARDON FOR THE INSURGENTS.

RICHMOND, Va., Wednesday, Dec. 8.

The Legislature have unanimously passed resolutions approving the sentence of COOK and the other prisoners, and refusing all interference in their behalf.

Capt. Pate upon John Brown.

A LECTURE AT THE COOPER INSTITUTE.

A lecture on "John Brown" was delivered last night in the Cooper Institute to an audience which (because of the weather) did not certainly exceed one hundred persons. The lecturer was Mr. HENRY CLAY PATE, who will

THE JOHN BROWN INVASION.

Official History of the Whole Affair.

MESSAGE OF GOV. WISE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF VIRGINIA.

To the Senate and House of Delegates of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

GENTLEMEN: Up to a late period I had fondly hoped to close my official term and part from my Excellent friends with naught but the cause of congratulation on the position of the Commonwealth. But the occurrence of this day has rendered necessary a communication which I have thought it my duty to make to you. Our peace has been disturbed; our citizens have been murdered; our property has been stolen; our dwellings have been violated; our fields have been entered; their property has been carried off; a scaffold in their midst, with the implements cut off from the means of death, is a public highway through our limits, and the wires and telegraphic wires have been stopped; and State and National Sovereignties have been insulted and assailed; and State and Federal troops have been called out and compelled to fight, at the loss of several killed and wounded, in repelling outlawry and treason at Harper's Ferry, in the County of Jefferson, within our jurisdiction.

CHARACTER AND OBJECTS OF THE INVASION.

This was no result of ordinary crimes, however heinous and felonious. It was no conspiracy of traitors against society in general, with the motives which usually actuate criminals, confined to the individual perpetrators, and to be crushed by their arrest and punishment. Not it was an extraordinary and accurately organized organization, specially directed against property in slaves. The home to be invaded was the domestic Slavery; the persons to be seized were the persons of slaveholders; the property to be confiscated was the property in slaves and the other property of slaveholders alone, such as money, plate, horses and other of like kind, which was to be taken by the robbers for the trouble and risk of robbing the masters of their slaves; the slaves were not to be taken to be carried away, but they were to be made to stand by the side of the robbers, and to be forced to fight to liberate themselves by massacreing their masters; the arsenal was taken to supply arms to the insurgents; and a provisional government was attempted, in a British province, by our own and united to us in the faith of confederacy, and with Canadians, to invade the slaveholding States of the United States; and thus the night of the 16th of October last was surprised and the day of the 17th of October last was startled by the signal guns of rapine, murder, robbery and treason, began at Harper's Ferry for the purpose of stirring up universal insurrection and war throughout the whole South.

Startling, surprising, shocking as this invasion has been, it is not more so than the rapidity and rancor of the causes which have prompted and put it in motion. It is not confined to the parties who were the present perpetrators in its outrages. Causes and influences far beyond it must point far than the little band of desperadoes who were sent ahead to kindle the sparks of a general conflagration; and the event, sad as it is, will serve to put little comment, if the condign punishment of the immediate perpetrators of the felonies and treason would for the future secure the peace of our State disturbed, and guarantee the safety of our citizens assaulted. Indeed, if the miserable conspirators were the only conspirators against our peace and safety, we might have forgiven their offences and contented ourselves with the exercise of the pardon. But an extensive and sectional sympathy has incited their crime, and now rises in rebellion and insurrection to the height of sustaining and justifying their enormity.

NORTHERN SENTIMENT RESPONSIBLE OF THE INVASION.

It would be pusillanimous to shut our eyes and to collect not to see certain facts of fearful import which meet us in the face, and of which I must speak plainly to you, with the firm and manly purpose of meeting danger, and with no weak and wicked design of exciting agitation. That danger exists, of no serious magnitude, there can be no doubt in the minds of the sober sane and reflecting, and the way to avert it in all course, is to march up to it and meet it front to front. If the evil has grown too great already, it will retire from collision; and if it has grown strong enough already for the encounter, it had better be met at once, for it will not diminish by delay. I believe, in truth, that the very policy of the prime promoters of this apprehension has been purely tentative; to try how far we will face the danger which is now sealed in blood. If we "take the dare," the aggression will become more and more insolent; and, if we do not, then it will either treacle or meet us in open conflict at the subsequent; and, in either event, our safety and the subsequent peace will be best secured by a direct confrontment at once—the sooner the better.

For a series of years social and sectional differences have been growing up, unhappily, between the States of our Union and their people. An evil spirit of fanaticism has seized upon negro Slavery as the one subject of social reform, and the one idea of its abolition has caused to madden whole masses of one entire section of the country. It enters into their religion, into their education, into their politics and pursuits, into their courts of justice, into their business, into their Legislatures, into all classes of their people, the most respectable and most lawless, into their pulpits and into their presses and school-houses, into the men, women and children of all ages, everywhere. *It has trained three generations, from childhood up,* in moral and social habits of hatred to masters of African slaves in the United States. It turns not upon Slavery elsewhere, or against slaveholders in any other country, but is especially malignant and vituperative towards its own countrymen, for the very reason that it is bound to them by the faith and sanction of a considerable law. To set up that law to it is to outrage it by the sight of the law, because it is believed to have been taught by the Atheists of a "higher law" than that of a regular government bound by constitutions and statutes. It has been made to believe in the doctrine of absolute individual rights, independent of all relations of man to man in a conventional and social form; and that each man for himself has the prerogative to set up his conscience, his will and his judgment over and above all legal enactments and social institutions. I has been inflamed by prostituted teachers and preachers and presses to do and dare any crime and its consequence which may set up its individual supremacy over law and order. It has been taught from the Senate Chamber to trust in the fatality of an "irrepressible conflict," into which it is bound to plunge. Its anti-Christ pulpit has breathed naught but insurrectionary words into servants against their masters, and has denounced our national Union as a covenant with death for recognizing property in slaves and guaranteeing to it the protection of law. It has raised contributions in churches to furnish arms and money to such criminals as these to make a war for empire of sentiment in our new Territories. It has trained them on the frontier and there taught them the skill of the Indian in savage warfare, and then turned them loose upon the oldest and largest slaveholding State to surprise one of its strongest holds. It has organized, armed, disciplined and corresponded thence with its agents here and from Boston to Iowa. It has agents everywhere everywhere, and has secret agents in the heart of every slave State, and has secret associations and "underground railroads" in every free State. It abides instruction and money at home and abroad. It has sent counselors and counsellors and sympathy, and would have sent rescue to these assassins, robbers, murderers and traitors, whom it sent to their graves. It has openly and secretly threatened vengeance for the execution of the laws. And these their violation it has definitely proclaimed about that "*insurrection is the lesson of the hour*"—not of slaves only, but all are to be free to rise up against their governments, and no government is to be allowed to protect, "*the average common sense of the masses,*" and no protection is to be permitted against that power.

REQUISITE OF SUCH MACHINERY.

This is but an outcome, plain and unvarnished, without exaggeration. What is this but anarchy? What does it mean but "confusion worse confounded," and the overthrow of all rights, of all government, of all relations, of all rule among men? Nothing but mad riot can rule and rule among such elements as these. There can be no compromise with them, no quarter to be had and crushed, or they will crush us, or our children with non-slaveholding States cannot continue.

The strongest argument against this unnatural war upon negro Slavery in one section by another of the same common country is, that it inevitably drives to the extreme of the States, embittered with all the passions of civil war. As that Union is among the most precious of our blessings, so the argument ought to weigh which weighs its value. But this argument is despised by fanaticism. It contemns the Union, and now contemns us for clinging to it as we do. It sends the warning that the Union is endangered. The Union itself is denounced as a covenant with sin, and we are scorned as too timid to make the warning or danger to it worthy to be heeded. It arrogantly assumes to break all the bonds of faith within it, and denies the attempt to escape oppression without it. *This reckly counts our honor as well as our fears,* and demands of us what we will do. We have but one thing to do; unless the numerical majority will cease to violate confederate faith, on a subject of such vital importance to us, and will at once and absolutely cease to disturb our peace, to endanger our lives and property, and to deny us the protection and redress under the peaceful and disturbed workings of the Union, we must secede from the Union. The time is too essential to be lost in parleying as those of Harper's Ferry without cost us the death of citizens—without cost us the death of a State.

WHERE IS THE REMEDY? NORTHERN CONSERVATISM.

For a quarter of a century we have been persuaded by patience, and patiently to wait for the waking and working of the conservative elements in our sister States. We have borne and forborne, and waited in vain. We know that we have many sound and staunch friends in the non-slaveholding States. It may be that they are most numerous in those where and where such wrongs as these; but it is not to be disbelieved that the conservative elements are passive while the fanatical are active, and the former are diminishing, whilst the latter are increasing in numbers and in force. But where is the evidence of the conservative elements are most powerful? Where look to the schools and colleges? to the pulpits, to the press and churches and congregations? to the Press? to the journals? to the books? to the learned characteristics of the age? to politics? to public assemblies and speakers? to Legislatures? to Congress? to laws, either State or Federal? to elections? to the administration of laws and judicial decisions? Alas! [illegible] we will, and to what we will, we find [illegible] judgments of the courts only are with us, [illegible] they have lost all reverence and respect, and [illegible] without protection of the Federal Government. United States is itself assaulted for not assaulting our Constitutional defences. And those last are assailed in denying the rights of protection itself. A new sovereignty and a new law is in our land, and we are denied protection under both. Where the Federal Government has no power to oppress, it is assumed; and where it has the power and it is its duty to protect, it is not allowed to protect. And the non-Slaveholding States are in nearly solid array opposed to us. We, united, may contend for awhile by the aid of pluralities, but for a short time only, and uncertainly at any time, and at best have no majorities on which we can rely in at least sixteen States, having the power of the Union. The active has overcome the passive elements; fanaticism has subdued conservatism in all those States, and these can now, in our present condition, practically wield our destinies for weal or woe. Will they come back to the Constitution, and abide its covenants or not? What those covenants are I have fully discussed in a reply to the resolutions of Vermont, which are herewith submitted, with my response appended, as a part of this message. I put it upon the archives of State as the most elaborate study of the subject of which I am capable.

SMALL NUMBERS NO EXCUSE.

But no words can elaborate the issues to which we are now practically brought by the events at Harper's Ferry.

It is vain to point to the paucity of the numbers of the marauders. The daring of their attempt would prove not more their foolhardiness than their full assurance that they were to be joined by a force sufficient to be formidable. If they had not mistaken the number and disposition of the slaves, who they expected to seize the spears, which they brought to capture an arsenal of arms, it is not known, and never will be known, how many other white fanatics would have swelled their numbers, nor how much blood and treasure it would have cost to quell their rebellion. Had there were, but they were fatal to the lives of several of our most worthy citizens; and insultingly dared the chances of doing immeasurable mischief to our entire Northern border.

THE INVADERS NOT INSANE.

And it is mockery to call them monomaniacs. Maniacs they were, only as all great criminals; and monomaniacs they were, only as the subject of Slavery makes men more insensate than any other one subject can. If these men were monomaniacs, then are a large portion of the people of many of the States monomaniacs.

Before these crimes, they were deemed sane soldiers in a notable crusade against Slavery and slaveholders. Many of those who now plead their insanity for them, put Sharpe's rifles in their hands, and enlisted, and trained, and trusted their wits for war in Kansas. Contributions were raised for them in Churches. They had been puffed with the praises of the professedly pious, for being the very men of destiny for the mission against slave settlements. They had been furnished with money to make sharp spears of butchery for the throes and breasts of masters, and to supply munitions and stores of regular campaigns. They assembled together from parts as far between as they themselves were few. They were provided, supplied, and furnished with much beyond their own wants or means. And it is passing strange that they, madmen, should, few as they were, have been so many madmen, meeting from so far apart, so well supplied by others than themselves, at a point so well selected, and that they should have *conspired* with so much method as to be so successful, against such apparent odds. Were those parties, known and unknown, so situated, all mad? *It is enough to say* that the leader himself spurned the falsehood, hypocrisy and cowardice of this mawkish plea of monomania, and neither he, nor any of his men, nor their counsel, put it in upon their trials. He expected from his prompters and backers and sympathisers *better* pretence and more potent defence than that. Before his failure and defeat in what, in their correspondence with him they called a "glorious cause," their sympathy was all with his desperate daring and success; and now it is with his insanity for a plea against the legal penalties of his crimes, which had their origin in this very sympathy,—a sympathy which saw his insanity too late to snatch from his hands the weapons it had placed there; too late to save the lives taken by its own incitement; and too late to save him from a felon's fate.

By our laws, the plea of insanity could avail at any time, in any stage of trial, and after conviction, before sentence of the court; and after the judicial tribunals were done with the prisoners, and they were turned over to the executioner, the Executive authority could forefend the law's sentence upon the insane. If either could show or prove insanity, either now or on trial, he could not be executed as long as I am the Governor of the Commonwealth, until cured in an asylum; and, if insane at the time of committing the offence, he could not be executed, cured or not cured, at all. But these men needed no mental cure: theirs was a moral malady of devils, which no power but divine could cast out. They were deliberate, cunning, malignant malefactors, deeptarately bent on mischief, with malice aforethought, gangrened by sectional and social habitual hatred to us and ours. Their vengeance was whetted by previous collisions hundreds of miles from us, and it whetted jagged-edged spears which it brought the hundreds of miles for our destruction. They came a few, like thieves in the night, did their deeds of death and were easily crushed; but they were prompted by an evil spirit of incendiarism which demoralized a numerous host of enemies behind them, who now blatantly sympathize with their deeds in open day before the world. These hired them to be *assassins, robbers, murderers and traitors, without* themselves incurring the risk of their crimes; and it is no wonder that they now sympathize with them even to madness, and that John Brown despised the hypocritial cant of their pretence that he was insane.

HISTORY OF THE CONSPIRACY.

The details of this conspiracy, and of its *denouement* at Harper's Ferry, are given in the various accompanying reports. Much of the correspondence and many of the papers of the culprits were found. I have had them collected and copied by competent amanuenses, and they are hereto appended. Suffice it to say, in reference to my own official action, that the first intelligence of the outbreak reached me on the morning of the 17th October, and was very vague. Orders were dispatched immediately to Col. Gibson, of Jefferson, to call out the necessary force of his own and adjacent regiments. But late in the evening of the same day, about 7 o'clock, the telegraph announced more serious and precise cause of danger. The news was that 750 marauders had seized the arsenal at Harper's Ferry, with all its arms and munitions, and were arming the slaves, and that actual murder was done, and several citizens were killed and wounded. I immediately called out the First Regiment of Volunteers, and as many men of the 179th Regiment of Militia as could get ready to move by the first train the following morning. And in one hour, at 8 P. M. on the 17th, I departed in person, with Company F, Capt. CABY, for the scene. At Washington I was joined by Capt. MARYE, of the Alexandria Rifles, and proceeded with ninety-one men and officers. At the Relay House, in Maryland, I received intelligence, on the 18th, that no more force was necessary, and I ordered back the force under Col. AUGUST. And from that place I telegraphed Col. LEE to make no terms with the insurgents. By 1 o'clock on the 18th I arrived with the force under my command. Col. LEE made no terms, and had subdued the insurgents before my arrival. I immediately examined the leader, BROWN, his lieutenant, STEVENS, a white man named COPEC, and a negro from Canada. They made full confessions. BROWN repelled the idea that his design was to run negro slaves off from their masters. He defiantly avowed that his purpose was to arm them and make them fight by his side in defence of their freedom, if assailed by their owners or any one else; and he said his purpose especially was war upon the slaveholders, and to levy upon their own property to pay the expenses of emancipating their slaves. He avowed that he expected to be joined by the slaves and by numerous white persons from many of the Slave as well as Free States. There was nothing for me to do but to arrest those who had escaped, to search for their hidden arms and plunder, to try to recapture the slaves they had taken, to get all their papers which could be found, and to have them properly proceeded against according to law. Had I reached the place before they surrendered, I would have proclaimed martial law, have stormed them in the quickest time possible, shown them no quarter, have tried the survivors, if any, by court-martial, and have shot the condemned on the spot. But owing to the delay of the cars at Washington and the Relay House, and to the slow travel from the latter place to the Ferry, I was too late. When I arrived they were subdued; they were prisoners and some of them wounded, and I was bound to protect them. I took them under the jurisdiction of Virginia; they were guarded from all violence; food and refreshment and surgical aid and every comfort at my command were given them; they were proceeded against regularly by the civil authority, under civil process from both State and Federal Governments, and I went in person with them under a military guard to Charlestown, and saw them safely lodged in jail in custody of the Sheriff, under civil and military guard. I remained a night to see that no violence was attempted from any quarter, and the next morning, after giving necessary orders to Col. GIBSON and furnishing him with arms, returned to Harper's Ferry. The services of counsel to assist the Commonwealth's attorney were engaged by me for the State. Seeing, on the morning of the 18th, that the United States marines were ordered away from Harper's Ferry, I ordered a police military guard for the confiscated arsenal. I did not remove the prisoners further into the interior, because I was detained to show no apprehension of a rescue; and if the jail of Jefferson had been on the line of the State, they should have been kept there, to show that they could be kept anywhere chosen in our limits. Soon after I returned to Richmond I notified the President of the United States that the reason so few men had captured the Arsenal of the United States was that there was no military guard there, and that I had organized a guard to protect our frontier and, incidentally, to protect the property of the United States. A neglected Arsenal had been made a positive danger to us; we had been invaded by lawless bands from other States, against which the United States were bound to defend us; we had been obliged to call out troops to *defend the Federal property, and at last had to guard it.*

CONDUCT OF THE MILITIA.

Thus the affair passed for the time being from the military to the civil authority. And here I cannot express too strongly what is due to the militia for the promptitude with which they volunteered for duty and obeyed my orders. The Jefferson, Berkeley and Shepherdstown militia were first at the scene, and manifested good courage and did some service; but they were restrained by a natural tenderness for their neighbors and friends who were held prisoners and hostages, and supposed to be in imminent danger from any attempt to storm their captors. The First Regiment of Volunteers, and company F especially of that regiment, which was ready in an hour from the call, and a part of the 179th and the Alexandria Rifles, and the companies of Fredericksburg, Orange and Alleghany, all gallantly took some and [illegible] by. More than I called came, and were ready and anxious to do duty and to be the first to encounter danger. A finer spirit and better temper of soldiers could not have been displayed.

TRIAL OF THE OFFENDERS.

The State Judiciary took the culprits in charge. Legal warrants were issued and served upon them; a court of examination was regularly held over those who did not waive it, and they were formally indicted in a court of competent jurisdiction. They had the full benefit of compulsory witnesses in their defence; had counsel assigned them, and counsel of their own selection; were confronted by witnesses and accusers, and were given, according to our Bill of rights, as in all other cases, a speedy and fair trial by an impartial jury of the vicinage; upon their own confession, and upon other evidence, leaving no doubt of guilt, were legally convicted of several capital offences; were heard in person and by counsel why sentence should not be pronounced on them; were given every opportunity of applying for writs of *supersedeas*; did apply, and the court of highest resort, the Court of Appeals, sustained the judgment and sentence of the court which tried them. Never were prisoners treated with more lenity of trial. And never in any case, in the history of trials, was justice administered with more forbearance, more calmness, more dignity and more majesty of law—never were such prisoners treated with as much benignant kindness as they have been by the people whom they outraged sufficiently to have incited summary punishment.

To prevent any such punishment on the one hand, and a rescue on the other, to guard justice, in a word, I called into service military guards to aid the civil authorities and keep the peace. Receiving information that organization of guards was necessary, I sent an aid to the scene, there to see what was wanting, to assist the Adjutant-General and to pass my orders. Col. J. LUCIUS DAVIS, a competent soldier, volunteered his services, and I accepted them, to organize the corps, to distribute arms, to post guards, and to provide subsistence and quarters, and to call for whatever was wanting. These services he continued most faithfully and efficiently to perform, with my full approbation, until very recent events made it necessary to call for more troops, and Major-General WM. B. TALIAFERRO, of the Fourth Division, repaired to the place and volunteered in person to take command. Many of the troops were from his division, and I could not decline the tender of his services. During the trial of the prisoners, and since, appeals and threats of every sort, the most extraordinary, from every quarter, have been made to the Executive. I lay before you the mass of these, it being impossible to enter into their details. Though the laws do not permit me to pardon, in cases of treason, yet pardons and reprieves have been demanded on the grounds of, first, insanity; second, magnanimity; third, the policy of not making martyrs.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARDON—REASONS FOR REFUSAL.

As to the first, the parties themselves or counsel put in no plea of insanity. No insanity was feigned even; the prisoner BROWN spurned it. *Since his sentence,* and since the decision on the appeal, one of his counsel, SAMUEL CLEMENS, Esq., has filed with me a number of affidavits professing to *show grounds for delaying execution, in order to give time to make an issue as to the sanity of the prisoner.* How such an issue can now, after sentence, confirmed by the Court of Appeals, be made, I am ignorant; but it is sufficient to say that I had repeatedly seen and conversed with the prisoner, and had just returned from a visit to him when this appeal to me was put into my hands. As well as I can know the state of mind of any one, I know that he was sane, and remarkably sane, if quick and clear perception; if assumed rational premises, and consecutive reasoning from them; if cautious tact in avoiding disclosures, and in covering conclusions and inferences; if memory and conception and practical common sense, and if composure and self-*possession are evidences of a sound state of mind.* He was more sane than his prompters and promoters, and concealed well the secret which made him seem to do an act of mad impulse, by leaving him without his backers at Harper's Ferry; but he did not conceal his contempt for the cowardice which did not back him better than with a plea of insanity, which he spurned to put in on his trial at Charlestown.

As to the second ground of appeal: I know of no magnanimity which is inhumane, and no inhumanity could well exceed that to our society, *our slaves* as well as their masters, which would turn felons like these, proud and defiant in their guilt, loose again on a border already torn by a fanatical and sectional strife which threatens the liberties of the white even more than it does the bondage of the black race.

As to the third ground: Is it true that the due execution of our laws, fairly and justly administered upon these confessed robbers, murderers and traitors, will make them martyrs in the public sentiment of *other States?* If so, then it is time indeed that execution shall be done upon them, and that we should prepare in earnest for the "irrepressible conflict," with that sympathy which, in demanding for these criminals pardons and reprieves, and in wreaking vengeance for their refusal, would make criminals of us. Indeed, a blasphemous moral treason, an expressed fellow-feeling with felons, a professed conservatism of crime, a defiant and boastful guilty demoniac spirit combined, arraign us, the outraged community, as the wrongdoers who must do penance and ;prevent our penalty by pardon and reprieve of these martyrs. This sympathy sent these men, its mere tools, to do the deeds which sentenced them. It may have sent them to be martyrs for mischief's sake; but the execution of our laws is necessary to warn future victims not again to be its tools. To heed this outside clamor at all, was to grant at once unconditional grace. To hang would be no more martyrdom than to incarcerate the fanatic. The sympathy would be asked on and on for liberation, and to nurse and soothe him, while life lasted, in prison. *His state of health would have been heralded* weekly as from a palace; visitors would have come *affectedly reverent, to see the shorn felon at his* "hard labor;" the work of his hands would have been sought as holy relics; and his party-colored dress would have become, perhaps, a uniform for the next band of impious marauders. There was no middle *ground of mitigation. To pardon or reprieve at all,* was to proclaim a licensed impunity to the fanatics who are mad only in the guilt and folly of setting up their individual supremacy over law, life, property and civil liberty itself. This sympathy with the leader was worse than the invasion itself. The appeal was: it is policy to make so *martyrs,* but disarm murderers, traitors, robbers, insurrectionists, by *free pardon* for wanton, malicious, unprovoked felons! I could but ask, will execution of the legal sentence of a humane law make martyrs of such criminals. Do sectional and social masses hallow these crimes? Do whole communities sympathize with the outlaws, instead of sympathising with the outraged society of a sister *sovereignty?* If so, then the sympathy is as felonious as the criminals and is far more dangerous than was the invasion. The threat of martyrdom is a threat against our peace, and demands execution to defy such sympathy and such saints of martyrdom. The issue was forced upon us: Shall JOHN BROWN be pardoned, lest he might be canonised by execution of felony for confessed murder, robbery and treason in inciting servile insurrection in Virginia? Why a martyr? Because thousands applaud his acts and opinions, and glorify his crimes? Was I to hesitate after this? Sympathy was insurrection, and had to be subdued more sternly than was JOHN BROWN. JOHN BROWN had surely to die according to law, and Virginia has to meet the issue. It is made. We have friends or we have not in the States whence these invaders come. They must now be not only *conservative* but *active* to prevent invaders coming. We are in arms.

RUMORS OF RESCUE.

Information from all quarters, with responsible names, and annonymous, dated the same time, from places far distant from each other, came, of organized conspiracies, and combinations to obstruct our laws, to rescue and seize hostages, to commit rapine and burning along our borders on Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, proceeding from these States and from New-York, Massachusetts and other States and Canada. These multiplied in every form for weeks; and at last, on the 19th of November, a call was very properly and timely made by Col. DAVIS for an additional force of 500 men.

These reports and rumors, from so many sources, of every character and form, so simultaneous, from places so far apart at the same time, from persons so unlike in evidences of education, could be from no conspiracy to hoax; *but I relied not so much upon them as upon the earnest continued general appeal of sympathizers with the crimes. It was impossible for so much of such sympathy to exist without exciting bad men to action of rescue or revenge.* On this I acted.

I immediately put in motion the troops of Richmond, Alexandria, Petersburg and Fauquier, who obeyed promptly—and in the time from 11 o'clock Saturday night to Tuesday morning, 563 men were added to the guards at Charleston. I again went in person with the troops, assembled the commanding officers, organized the command, issued general orders, and returned to Harper's Ferry, where I met Gen. TALIAFERRO, and accepted his services. Since then I have ordered an additional force of 500 men from Norfolk, and Portsmouth, and Petersburg, and Orange, and Albemarle, and Augusta, and Rockingham, and Wheeling, and have called out a corps of howitzers, under Col. SMITH, of Virginia Military Institute. And I have ordered Generals ROBERT and HUNTER to do whatever is necessary to guard the borders from the Point of Rocks to Alexandria, and the whole border is guarded west to Piedmont. I have exhausted this and the next year's quotas in issuing efficient arms, and have purchased arms of the best improved models, and issued them and costs and blankets to the troops. In a word, I have been compelled by apprehension of the most unparalleled border war, to place the State in as full a panoply of military defence as if a foreign enemy had invaded us. Indeed, one of the most irritating features of this predatory war, is that it has its seat in British Provinces, which furnish asylums for our fugitives from justice and from labor, and sends them and their hired outlaws back upon us from *dépôts* and rendezvous in bordering States. There is no danger from our slaves or colored people. The slaves taken refused to take arms, and the first man killed was a respectable free negro, who was trusted with the baggage of the railroad, and who faithful to his duty was shot running from the philanthropists who came to liberate the black race!

CONDITION OF SLAVES ON THE BORDER.

But why do our slaves on the border not take up arms against their masters? We must look firmly at this fact before we take it as a solace. In the answer to that question lies the root of our danger. *Masters in the border counties now hold their slaves by sufferance.* The slave could fly to JOHN BROWN much easier than he could come and take him. The slaves at will can liberate themselves by running away. The underground railroad is at their very doors, and they may take passage when they please. They prefer to remain. *John Brown's invasion startled us; but we have been tamely submitting to a greater danger, without confessing it.* The plan which silently corrupts and steals our slaves, which sends secret emissaries among us to "stampede" our slaves, which refuses to execute fugitive slave laws, which forms secret societies for mischief, with the motto, "alarm to their sleep, fire to their dwellings, and poison to their food and water," and which establishes underground railroads, and dépôts and rendezvous for invasion, is more dangerous than the invasion of John Brown. Yet the [illegible] to be [illegible] sooner we have [illegible] that [illegible] is in the [illegible] illustrated already by this outbreak [illegible] still silent, stealing system, that they [illegible] *take up arms for their rights.* The States, as well as individuals, have denounced our laws and set them at defiance; they have by their laws encouraged and facilitated the escape of our slaves, and have made Abolition a cancer eating into our very vitals.

We must, then, acknowledge and act on the fact that present relation between the States cannot be permitted longer to exist without abolishing Slavery throughout the United States, or compelling us to defend it by force of arms.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH GOVERNORS OF STATES.

On the 25th ult. I addressed letters to the Governors of Maryland, Pennsylvania and Ohio, of which the accompanying are copies. From the Governor of Maryland I have received a very satisfactory reply, herewith submitted. I have received a reply, by telegraph, from the Governor of Pennsylvania, who, I am proud to say, has promptly performed his duty in delivering up the fugitives from justice, and who protests that his State will do her confederate duty in all respects. He intimates that Virginia ought not to anticipate that Pennsylvania will neglect to prevent obstructions to or violations of the laws in her limits; but a watchful guardianship of Virginia's safety could not neglect to apprise Pennsylvania's authorities of crime meditated against either State (of which I was informed, and they were, probably, not informed) by way of intelligence, and warning. JOHN BROWN, with his associates, arms and stores, had just before already passed through Pennsylvania, and had remained at places in her limits, and he had enlisted one man, at least, a negro, in one of her towns. I had not, therefore, anticipated the facts, but appealed to them for steps of prevention and precaution, after what had already occurred. And the Governor of Pennsylvania, I presume, speaks more in the spirit of a just State pride than from such evidences of danger and cause of apprehension as the Executive here is in possession of respecting combinations, depôts and rendezvous in adjoining States for invading the borders of Virginia. From the Governor of Ohio I have as yet received no answer.

LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUCHANAN—UNFAVORABLE TORY CHARACTER OF HIS REPLY.

On the same day, the 25th ult., I addressed a letter to the President of the United States, of which the inclosed is a copy. On the 29th I received from him the accompanying answer, to which I have not replied, but upon which I must here comment.

He seems to think that the Constitution and laws of the United States do not provide authority for the President to "*repel invasion,*" or to keep the peace between the States, in cases where the citizens of one State invade another State, unless the Executive or Legislature of the State invaded applies for protection. I differ from this opinion. Neither the framers of the Constitution nor the Congress of 1795 were guilty of so gross an omission in their provisions for the national safety.

By clause third of section ninth of article first of the Constitution, the States are deprived of the power, "without the consent of Congress, to *keep troops or ships of war in time of peace, or to engage in war, unless actually invaded, or in such imminent danger as will not admit of delay.*"

To compensate them for this privation of the power of preparation for defence, it is provided in section 4th of article 4th, that "*the United States shall guarantee to every State in the Union a Republican form of Government, and shall protect each of them against invasion;* and on application of the Legislature, or of the Executive, (when the Legislature cannot be convened,) *against domestic violence.*"

Now, it is readily conceded, "United States" here is to be taken as synonymous with the words "the Congress." The clause is in juxtaposition with clauses defining the powers of "the Congress." And if they were not, by the 18th clause of section 8th of article 1st, to "the Congress" is given the power "to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution" its own powers, "and all other powers *vested in the Government of the* United States, or in any department or officer thereof."

This duty and power then of guaranteeing protection to every State against invasion belongs unquestionably to Congress. Has it exercised the power? It has. Thus:

To the Congress also is given the power "to raise and *support armies,*" and "to provide and maintain a navy," and these are called, specially, "the land and naval forces of the United States."

I presume that no one will gainsay the proposition that the chief object of these land and naval forces is "*to suppress insurrections and to repel invasions.*"

But in addition to these powers another is specially added. "*To provide for calling forth* the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections and repel invasions." And I presume that no one will insist that the regular army and navy of the United States may not be ordered to execute the laws of the Union, and to suppress insurrections and repel invasions, without calling forth the militia, or though the militia may be called forth to execute the same purposes.

This granted, the Congress did pass the laws: 1st, to raise armies, and to provide and maintain a navy, as well as laws for calling forth the militia.

And then, by article 2d, the President is vested with *the Executive power.* He is sworn faithfully to execute the office of President, and to the best of his ability, to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States;" and he is made Commander-in-Chief of the army and navy of the United States and of the militia of the several States, when called into the actual service of the United States; *and he shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed.*

Now to revert to the 4th section of the 4th article:

In this section, there are two things against which the United States guarantees protection to *every* State:

1st, against "*invasion.*" Not one kind of invasion *or another, but simply* "*invasion*" of all kinds from every quarter; *and no application for protection* is required against "invasion." Whenever it comes, however it comes, it is to be protected against. The word itself imports *force from without*—any force without the State indeed, whether from foreign country, or alien enemies or Indian tribes; it is confined to no particular invasion. And against this the President has the means, provided by Congress in the laws raising and providing a standing army and navy—the land and naval forces of the United States, which need not be "called forth," but are armies already raised and standing, and a navy already "*provided and maintained.*" The President is commander-in-chief of these, and may order them to repel actual invasion, as they are already in actual service without being "called forth." And he is surely as much bound to execute the Constitution as the statutes of Congress. "The laws," to be executed, embrace both, and he has the means to execute both provided *in the statutes for raising armies and providing a navy, as well as in the laws calling forth the militia.*

But to proceed:

Second—The second thing that every State is to be protected against is, "*domestic violence.*" These words import force from within—a *domestic* force, acting, in rebellion, or insurrection, or obstruction of the laws, against the State. To interpose against this, there must be an application of the Legislature, or of the Executive of the State, when the Legislature cannot be convened.

And under this clause of this section, special acts of February 28, 1795, and of March 3, 1807, have been passed. They are wholly distinct from the laws of Congress raising armies and providing a navy. The first clause of the first section of the act of 1795, relates to invasions of the *United States* "from any *foreign nation or Indian tribe.*" The 2d clause of that section relates to "*insurrection* in any State against the government thereof," &c., to "domestic violence," in other words, and not expressly or impliedly to "invasion of any State." And the 3d section of the act relates to obstructions of the laws of the United States, and not of any State. And the whole act, so far as it relates to the States, is an act to provide for "*calling forth the militia*" to suppress domestic violence, and not for commanding the land and naval forces already in actual service against "invasion." *Invasion of any State is in fact invasion of the United States.* And the act of 1807 applies expressly to cases only of "insurrection or obstruction to the laws either of the United States, or of any individual State or territory." And if the President's construction of his power be correct, this act, which was intended undoubtedly to extend the act of 1795, and enlarge its provisions, would operate to restrict and contract its provisions. He could not use such part of the land and naval forces of the United States as shall be judged by him, without having first observed all the prerequisites of the law for calling forth the militia. These acts, in a word, do not in word or meaning apply to cases of "invasion of a State," but so far as a State is concerned, to cases only of domestic violence; and where the militia are called forth on application of the Legislature or of the Executive of the State rebelled against.

There was no "insurrection;" no case of force from without. Invasion was threatened from without, by citizens of one State against another State. It is monstrous to say that there is nothing in the Constitution or laws guaranteeing protection to a State in such cases. The Constitution is express. It needs in fact the laws only which have been passed—the laws of the army and navy of the United States, and the laws for calling forth the militia, to execute both of the clauses of protection guaranteed by the Constitution to "every State in this Union." The men of 1795 made no such gross omission. They understood their work too well for that. And what a spectacle *the United States* would have presented, if on the second instant an army of fanatics had invaded Virginia to rescue felons legally convicted, and a bloody battle had been joined, and the United States land forces at Harper's Ferry stood neutral spectators, guarding only the United States Arsenal, and playing *posse comitatus* to a United States Marshal, but not allowed to aid in the execution of the laws of a State or to repel invasion, because the *United States* were not invaded "from a foreign country or by Indian tribes." The bare statement is revolting to the fourth section of the fourth article of the Constitution, guaranteeing protection to every State *against invasion;* to every statute of Congress raising land and naval forces of the United States; to all the ends and purposes of those laws, and to peace; to the oath and executive *office of the President of the United States to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution, and to see the laws faithfully executed.*

DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN GOV. WISE AND *PRESIDENT BUCHANAN.*

Such are my views of the Constitution and laws. The views of the President, it seems, are different. I notified him of a just apprehension that this State was threatened with "*invasion*" by a predatory border war, to rescue prisoners convicted of high crimes and felonies, and to seize our citizens as hostages and victims in case of execution of the criminals proceeding from several surrounding States.

He answers, that "it would seem almost incredible that any portion of the people of the States mentioned should be guilty of the atrocious wickedness, as well as folly of attempting to rescue convicted traitors and murderers from the penalty due their crimes under the outraged laws of Virginia."

I reply to him, through you, gentlemen, that it is strange this should seem so incredible, when the very convicted traitors and [illegible] of the people of the [illegible] United States Arsenal, and [illegible] murder against both the State and United States authority. And I could say that [illegible] for nothing on the manifest information I have received, of renewed invasion, when, perhaps, pardonable hastilution at Washington to warning of the murder and treason at Harper's Ferry left an arsenal and a people indemonstrated against that invasion!

I did not call on the President to protect Virginia, and would not do so. I *apprised him of apprehensions "in order that he might take steps to preserve peace before the State,"* I had called out one fifth of my force, and they are a thousand fold ample to defend their State. They have had not only to guard their own border but to guard in part the arsenal of the United States. The President has, however, manifested a "cheerful and careful" disposition to defend the *place ceded to the United States at Harper's Ferry;* he sent a small guard, as soon as informed it was unguarded, and has reinforced that guard, "not only to protect the public property clearly within our exclusive jurisdiction, *but to prevent the insurgents from entering the arms in the arsenal at that place,* and using them against the troops of Virginia." "Besides," he says, "it is possible the additional troops may be required to act as a *posse comitatus* on the requisition of the *Marshal of the United States for the Western District of Virginia, to prevent the rescue of Stevens,* now in his custody, charged with the crime of high treason."

THE PRESIDENT REFUSING TO PROTECT THE STATE AGAINST INVASION.

Then for these objects—1st, to keep arms of the United States out of the hands of the invaders of Virginia; and 2d, to act as "*posse comitatus*" to a United States Marshal, the land forces of the United States may be used; but 3d, *not to prevent "invasion" of one State by the people of another State.* And to carry his construction into effect, in any provision in the Constitution or laws of the United States, would authorize him to "take steps" *for the purpose of preventing* war between the States, "by guarding places in southern States which may be occupied as depôts and rendezvous, by desperadoes, to invade Virginia." As I understand his interpretation of the Constitution and the laws, he cannot call forth the militia, nor employ the land and naval forces of the United States "*for this purpose.*" He says it is the duty of the respective *State Governments* to break up such dépôts, and to prevent their citizens from making incursions, &c.; but *that if the Federal Executive were to enter these States and to perform this duty for them, it would be a manifest usurpation of their rights. Were he then to act it would be a palpable invasion of State sovereignty, and as a precedent, might prove highly dangerous.* Now, this is a new doctrine, and teaches even Virginia a lesson of State Rights which destroys her constitutional guarantee of protection by the United

VISITORS TO CONY-STREET.

Correspondence of the Boston Traveller.

Mrs. KENNEDY, the [illegible] Cony, visited him in his cell to-day. [illegible] they [illegible] weather and [illegible] Mrs. Cony [illegible] being [illegible] He replied he was [illegible] as well as he could be [illegible] she said, "I had [illegible] your business at [illegible] Ferry, [illegible] you would not have been here, [illegible] I know that very well; you [illegible] take the Ferry to Red Hook [illegible] the 11th, and intend to the [illegible] of Cony's friend, who came near being killed by Cony's fire from the opposite side of [illegible] Cony replied that he was [illegible] in reference to other parties who were in [illegible] of his rifle. In speaking of [illegible] he said, "I [illegible] have been here." Mrs. K. replied, "Husband, [illegible] it is better that if you had used [illegible] After his [illegible] Lester, under cover of [illegible] from his [illegible] and [illegible] Brown's house, and Cony [illegible] that he was guilty of battering him. He [illegible] in terms of eulogy of the lawyers, and said they had done their whole duty, the evidence being so positive and direct against him. He read a portion of a letter from his mother-in-law, mentioning him of the appearance of his wife and sister, which said "he (the mother-in-law) already looked upon the little boy as her own son." His mother-in-law, before leaving, cautioned him to keep writing book, and said tell all you know. Cony replied, "I have nothing further to tell; I have told all I know of it."

Mrs. Cony and Mrs. CROWLEY (the sister of Cony) did not arrive as expected, and Cony says, although disappointed in seeing them this morning, he feels gratified that they are not here. He fears they could not undergo the terrible interview.

LAW REPORTS.

The Affairs of the Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Company.

Edward P. Cowles, Receiver, &c. vs. Edward A. Moore.—This was an action brought against the defendant in Utica, under the following circumstances: A note of hand, for $4,000, was made by J. P. Moore, July, 1857, to the defendant for the accommodation of the Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Company, who paid full price for it.

The Trust Company, before its failure, and before the maturity of the note, deposited it with Beebee & Co., with a large mass of other securities as collateral for their large indebtedness to Beebee & Co. A large portion of the securities so deposited consisted of paper originally deposited with the Trust Company, for collection merely, and the pledging of it by the Trust Company, to secure their own debt, was wholly fraudulent. After the failure of the Trust Company and Beebee & Co., and in the course of the wholesale ruin of the affairs of the latter, a considerable amount of the paper so pledged to Beebee & Co. was collected, and the proceeds applied appropriated to pay the debt of the Trust Company to them. The Miami County Bank and other parties, whose paper had been so fraudulently pledged, filed their bills, to obtain their property, to have the portion of the collateral thus collected by the Trust Company with Beebee & Co., which actually belonged to the Trust Company, and which they had a right to pledge, appropriated to pay their debt of the Trust Company, and to have the proceeds of their paper, which had been fraudulently pledged, paid over to them. It turned out that the whole amount of the securities which had been pledged with Beebee & Co. was more than sufficient to pay the debt of the Trust Company, and therefore it was agreed by stipulations entered into between the Trust Company, Beebee & Co., and the Miami Bank, and other parties whose securities had been fraudulently converted, that a certain portion of the securities should be turned over to Beebee & Co. in absolute payment of their debt, and the residue of them, including this note, should be put in the hands of a Receiver to meet the claims which should be established by the Miami Company Bank and the other defrauded creditors against the Trust Company. The plaintiff in this suit was subsequently appointed such Receiver.

The defence, in this suit, was a set off, the Trust Company having been, at the time of the maturity of the note, and ever since, indebted to the defendant in a large amount.

The Court instructed the Jury that the defendant was entitled to the set-off pleaded just as though the action had been brought by the Trust Company, and instructed them to find for the defendant accordingly. The cause was tried at the Supreme Court Circuit, before Justice JAMES.

Grady & Langdon, for plaintiff; Evarts, Southmayd, and Choate, for defendant.

Action by a Lawyer to Recover his Fees.

Erastus C. Benedict vs. William Nelson, et al.—This was an action tried before Judge HOGAN, in the Common Pleas, to recover certain fees alleged to be due the plaintiff for legal services rendered the defendants in two actions tried in the United States District Court.

These suits are claimed to have involved about $6,000, and it is averred by the plaintiff that it took him four days to try it, and that he is entitled therefor to the sum of $500. A bill for $250 was first sent in, but this suit was brought for the sum claimed. The defence was a general denial of the allegations of the plaintiff.

The plaintiff put E. W. Stoughton (who was counsel for defendants on appeal) and Judge Beebe on the stand to testify as to fees generally. And Mr. Stoughton thought the plaintiff should have had at least $500. Judge Beebe, who was counsel for the other side on the trial of the cause in the District Court, (and who was sorry he lost his case, in consequence of the tact and skill of the plaintiff in this action,) testified also that Mr. Benedict should have had at least $500; that would have been a low fee. Counsel objected to witnesses complimenting the plaintiff and his abilities.

Case still on.—E. C. Benedict, Edwin Burr, Chas. L. Benedict and Robt. D. Benedict for plaintiff; Edward Seymour for defendant.

Action to Recover Hire of a Vessel.

George F. Peniston et al. vs. Thomas Gilmartin.—This was an action to recover the sum which it is alleged the defendant agreed to pay the plaintiffs as owners of the ship *G. M. Robertson*, for the use thereof for one trip from this port to St. Kitts and Greytown, and back.

The plaintiffs allege that they were to have $1,400 for the charter of their vessel for such trip, if performed within the 6th day of June, 1857, and the 31st of August, of the same year, and $20 per day for all time beyond that date. They allege that the defendant was to furnish at Greytown a cargo of cocoanuts for the return voyage, which he did not do, although the plaintiff waited there for such cargo for twenty-five days beyond the stipulated time; also the agents of the defendant at Greytown did finally furnish at part o a cargo of that sort which the defendant would not receive when it arrived home. They therefore demand their money on the charter party, and damages and extra pay.

The defence is, that the plaintiffs were the sole owners interested by the outward trip, they having received all the profits thereof, to the amount of over $900, which should have gone to the defendant, under the charter party; that the plaintiffs so violated the charter party in divers ways, that it was void, and that he was not, therefore, bound by its provisions. The case is still on trial before Justice BOSSON, in the Supreme Court.

T. D. Hall, for plaintiffs; E. Terry, for defendant.

Suit for Divorce.

WHAT IS COMPETENT EVIDENCE.

Josephine B. Kinney vs. Geo. W. Kinney.—This was a suit for divorce on the ground of bigamy on the part of the husband. The plaintiff is his second wife, and she alleges that at the time of her marriage the defendant's first wife was living, and the former marriage in full force. The case was sent to a Referee, to take proofs, and allegations of the relatives of the first wife were testified to in regard to the fact of the first marriage, and certain declarations of the husband were also given in evidence. The Referee reported in favor of annulling the second marriage, and motion was made before Justice CLERKE, at the special term of the Supreme Court, to confirm the Report.

His Honor has now rendered his decision, denying the motion, for the reasons stated in the following opinion:

CLERKE, J.—The proof of the alleged first marriage is not, I think, sufficient to authorize a judgment declaring the other marriage null and void. It consists of what the relatives of the wife of the alleged first marriage said, and what the defendant admitted on a certain occasion; instead of producing the relatives before the Referee and taking their testimony in some other way, a third party testified to what they said. This is clearly inadmissible. And I am of opinion that the admission of the defendant, under such circumstances, is not sufficient for the purpose in view. If such admissions were received, collusion could be easily practiced, and the policy of the law with regard to divorce circumvented. The report must be sent back.

Action for Assault and Battery.

Daniel E. Burbyte vs. James Hughes.—This action was brought to recover damages from the defendant for an alleged assault, claimed to have been made on the 7th of August, 1856, in Eleventh-avenue. The plaintiff claims that he has sustained great injuries in consequence of the assault, and that he was for a long time confined from its effects.

The defendant says he was first assaulted and that he only acted in self-defence. It appeared that the parties to this suit were parties to a former civil action, and that in consequence of the result thereof they were not very good friends thereafter; that they met on Eleventh-avenue, and, as the defendant testified, the plaintiff called him hard names and shook him by the collar; that a mutual assault followed, and the plaintiff was second best. The case is before Justice SUTHERLAND at the Circuit, and is still on.

H. C. Place for plaintiff; Dewey & Savage, for defendant.

The House of Refuge—Powers of its Officers.

The People ex rel. Thomas Tobens vs. The Managers of the House of Refuge.—This was the return to a writ of habeas corpus, directing the officers of the House of Refuge to produce the body of the petitioner's son, who was sent to the House of Refuge on a commitment, in 1857. The proceedings on the issuing of the writ were reported in the Times some time since. The Managers of the Institution now made return to the writ, and set forth that the boy had been apprenticed to a farmer in Pittsburg, where he was much better off than he ever could be here.

After full hearing, the Court held that the statute [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Fullerton and Moses Ely for the City.

Verdict.

Thomas Brennan vs. Elizabeth P. McAlly et al.—This was an action for damages for malicious prosecution, the particulars of which were published in the Times of Tuesday. The trial was before Justice FIZSIMMONS, in the Superior Court, and now resulted in a verdict for plaintiff for $50 costs. Notice will be made by Mr. Dyett, plaintiff's counsel, to set the verdict aside.

Decisions.

SUPREME COURT, SPECIAL TERM.

DAVIES, J.—*Halsted vs. Gordon.*—Judgment for plaintiff, declaring the assignment void, &c.

Taylor vs. Sharp & Gayler.—Decided that the complaint is properly filed; that the plaintiff bring into Court and deposit with the Clerk the notes mentioned in the complaint; and that defendants interplead and settle the matter between themselves. Plaintiff, for reasons stated in opinion, will not be entitled to costs.

Roberts vs. Dunn.—Complaint dismissed with costs.

Cramer vs. Bowers.—Judgment for plaintiff on demurrer with costs.

Will of D. Donnelly.—Decided that proofs are adequate to establish the will proposed, and judgment must be entered accordingly.

Jones vs. Sheppard.—Order settled.

Blecker vs. Whittemore.—Judgment for plaintiff for $500 and interest from May 4, 1858, same to be paid out of separate estate of Mrs. Whittemore.

Dubois vs. Machado.—Adjudged that assignment is fraudulent and void, appointing a Receiver, and directing defendants to deliver over all the assignment estate to him, and to account under oath, &c. Question of costs reserved until the coming in of the report of Referee on such accounting.

Williams vs. Merchants' Fire Insurance Company.—Suit to determine order in priority of payment of various claimants.

The claimants to the fund are entitled to be paid in the order of their respective judgments, and when such judgments have been obtained upon attachments the date of the issuing and service of the attachment, is to be deemed the date of the judgment for the purpose of determining such priority, &c.

McCready vs. Farmers' and Merchants' Fire Insurance Company.—Same judgment as above.

Brasted vs. Wood.—Judgment for plaintiff for foreclosure and sale of the mortgaged premises, and ordering a Referee to compute amount due.

Hydeville Marble Company vs. Redfield et al.—Judgment for plaintiff, declaring the sale void, and restraining the defendants from claiming anything under it, or interfering with the property sold.

CHAMBERS.

CLERKE, J.—*The Matter of Widening Rooks-street.*—Report of Referee confirmed.

Kopke vs. Kopke.—Report confirmed, and judgment of divorce granted.

Brewster vs. Freeman.—Motion denied without costs.

SUTHERLAND, J.—*Ryerson vs. Goldbraith.*—Order settled.

SUPERIOR COURT, CHAMBERS.

Sleeper, J.—Dayton vs. Borst.—Case settled.

Venes vs. Spier.—Witnesses who come from a distance at the request of parties without subpœna are entitled to the allowance for travelling expenses and to the per diem allowance provided by statute but the per diem allowance is to be restricted to the days during which the case is actually on the day calendar, and the Court sitting for trials, is actually in session, and the witnesses are in attendance. If they attend on the like request in two cases they are entitled to the full allowance in each case, though the parties may be the same. (19 Wend., 62; 12 How., 246, 4 San., 719; 16 How., 306; 2 R. S., 5th Ed., 922, Sec. 24.)

Referred back to Clerk for retaxation. See decision with papers in the hands of the General Term Clerk, (papers now sent to the Clerk's office of Court.)

PIERREPONT, *J.—Martin vs. Merrills.*—The injunction in this case must be dismissed with costs. Papers with Special Term Clerk.

Calendar—Thursday, Dec. 8.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—Nos. 8, 69, 54, 55, 56, 57, 59, 62, 67.

SUPREME COURT—*Special Term.*—Nos. 7, 21, 2, 16, 39, 54 to 65, 67, 68, 69.

SUPREME COURT—*Circuit.—Part I.*—Nos. same as yesterday, with the addition of Nos. 1923, 1723, 2091. *Part II.*—Nos. 6052, 2428, 760, 2152, 2864, 2866, 2868, 2870, 2872, 2874, 2876, 2878, 2880, 2882, 2884, 2886.

SUPERIOR COURT—*Part I.*—Nos. 519, 463, 663, 697, 715, 631, 265, 273, 711, 713, 714, 701, 1. *Part II.*—Nos. 448, 498, 508, 452, 268, 369, 446, 580, 492, 594, 114, 488.

COMMON PLEAS—*Part I.*—Nos. 1070, 697, 1305, 1182, 1572, 1574, 1575, 1577 to 1580, 1582 to 1585. *Part II.*—Nos. 162, 1401, 1402, 109, 191, 144, 1195, 1235, 1456, 1556, 1558, 1559, 1560, 1561, 67, 1210.

A Family Broil.

ALIENATING THE AFFECTIONS OF A WIFE.—The Boston *Traveller*, of Dec. 5, says: "In the Supreme Court, this morning, before Judge HOAR, trial was commenced in the case of William A. Cochrane vs. George L. Perry. The action is brought by the plaintiff, charging the defendant with seducing and alienating the affections of his wife, FRANCES E. COCHRANE, and damages are claimed in the sum of $40,000. The defendant denies having committed any crime with the woman, and answers that the husband, previous to April last, had accused his wife of the commission of crime with various persons; that the husband, by ill treatment, had alienated her affections, &c.

Mr. HUTCHINGS, in his opening remarks, gave a brief history of the case. The plaintiff, a merchant of this city, was married, in 1853, to FRANCES E. FOWLE, daughter of CHARLES FOWLE, then of this city, but now of West Roxbury. He kept house in Shawmut-avenue several years, but his business improving, he moved to East Brookline-street, upon the south side of Franklin-square.

On the day in question, he agreed to take his wife to West Roxbury, to see her sick mother, at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, but hearing that her mother was worse he went home at an earlier hour, and found the parlor locked. The defendant was found in this parlor, under such circumstances, that Mr. COCHRANE caught hold of his collar, when the defendant drew a pistol and soon after, without further molestation, left the house. Mr. COCHRANE took his wife home to her mother that night. The next day she removed her things from the house, and has not been there since. Mr. COCHRANE broke up housekeeping. He had but three courses left to pursue: to be quiet, and thus leave it to be inferred that he had wronged his wife: to shoot the seducer, as they do in other climates; or to bring this suit.

The case will probably last for several days.

In November, 1850, Mr. Erastus Salisbury, of Liverpool, Ohio, was married to Miss Helen Pritchard. About a year afterwards he took his departure to California, where he toiled in the mines until a few months ago. The correspondence between him and his wife was in some way interrupted, but rumors reached her that he had proved unfaithful, and she therefore procured a divorce. This step was taken after her husband had been absent eight years, but Mrs. Salisbury had been Miss Pritchard again but a few months when her former husband returned. Overwhelmed with surprise at finding himself a bachelor, he took immediate steps to reinstate himself in his former position. The charge against him he proved to be untrue, and, after a courtship in due form, the couple were again married on the 24th ult.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, Dec. 7, 1859.

The receipts of live Cattle this week have fallen rather below those of any week since July 6, when there were 3,000. This week, the total receipts, 3,799, differ but little from the weekly average last year (3,676). Referring to our notes last year, we find that for the corresponding week there was also a small number brought in, viz.: 2,974. Still there was about as many offered to-day as the market could bear; 500 head more would have knocked prices down considerably. The warm, damp, foggy weather that has prevailed for a number of days past, has materially affected the butchers; they seemed to care little about making fresh purchases to-day. A cold, dry day would probably have carried the market up half a cent per pound. A general expectation that there would be small receipts from the West, owing to the continuation of the pasturage, and the reports of an active Eastern demand at Albany, induced many New-York farmers, near at hand, to send in their stock pretty freely, and more than one-third of those in market to-day came from this State... Milch cows have arrived less freely—only 129 for the week, but this is quite as many as the market requires. The demand may, perhaps, enliven up a little after New Years, when milkmen will send fresh animals to take the place of those turned out until the calving season, or sent to the butchers. If the beef market continues fair, a considerable number of distillery-fed cows will also be turned out for beef, leaving a vacancy for fresh cows. Until there is some such extra demand, there is little to encourage farmers to send cows to this market... Veal calves have arrived more sparingly, but the demand is quite light—hardly enough to sustain former prices.... Sheep and lambs are less abundant, with a fair demand. Prices are firmer, perhaps a trifle in advance of last week.... Swine have come in pretty freely, but the market would have been scarcely supplied had the weather not been unfavorable. As it is, there are a few lots unsold to-day, but considerable firmness at last week's rates.... The following figures, carefully copied from our former reports, and from statistics gathered at all the City yards, including the cattle sold direct to butchers at Bergen, give a comparative view of the past market supplies, and show the

TOTAL RECEIPTS OF LIVE STOCK AT ALL THE NEW-YORK CITY MARKETS FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOV. 22.

	Beeves.	Milch Cows.	Veals.	Sheep.	Swine.
This week	3,799	129	462	10,612	16,873
Previous week	4,214	145	455	14,420	14,402
Same w'k last year	2,974	215	434	9,116	16,012
Weekly average of beeves for 1857					3,149
Weekly average of beeves for 1858					3,098

Total number of live animals of all kinds received [illegible]

[illegible] week at the [illegible] 21,078. Total number received the previous week, 23,031. Which is a decrease of 2,953; and of cattle, 415. Of the 3,799 fresh bullocks received during the week, 2,054 were taken to the Bergen yards, at the terminus of the Erie Railroad; 28 were yarded at Harsenville, and 10 at O'Brien's, on Sixth-street; and 61 at CHAMBERLAIN'S yards, on Robinson-street.... Of the 2,054 bullocks yarded at Forty-fourth-street, this week, so far as we could ascertain their origin from owners and salesmen, and from the yard-books, 786 head came from Ohio, 1,127 from New-York, 262 from Indiana, 142 from Illinois, 116 from Pennsylvania, 12 from Canada, 171 from Kentucky, 76 from Michigan, 9 from Virginia, 4 from Iowa, 12 from Connecticut, and 9 from New-Jersey, and 16 from Texas.... The 2,627 cattle at Forty-fourth-street and at Bergen came into market by the following routes: By Erie Railroad, 1,696; by Hudson River Railroad, 1,213; by river barges, 181; by Harlem Railroad, 36; by Camden and Amboy Railroad, 36; and on foot 17.

THE CATTLE SALES YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY.

The exciting Municipal Election, yesterday, kept many butchers from the yards; still the report of a short supply called out most of those whose standing contracts with hotels, etc., require a constant supply of good beef, and pretty free sales, amounting to nearly half the cattle on hand, were made at prices a little better than the average last week. Several car loads, due yesterday, did not arrive until to-day, owing to a smash-up on the Hudson River Railroad, by which a considerable number were killed or maimed. A part of those uninjured came in this afternoon, and helped to eke out the supply. This morning the yards looked quite thin, as there were only 2,744 at Forty-fourth-street this week, all told, including 80 State cattle left over last week. The buyers were, however, quite indifferent as to purchasing, the drizzling rain and the murky weather rendering it hazardous to keep a stock of meat on hand. The sales were slow, at prices a little better than last week. The yards were cleared out towards evening. Taking the average of the entire transactions of this week's market, yesterday's sales being included in those of to-day, and setting down those of last week for comparison, we have the following:

	To-day.	Last week.
Premium cattle	None.	None.
First quality	10c. @10¾c.	10c. @10¾c.
Medium quality	8¾c. @ 9¾c.	8¾c. @ 9¾c.
Poor quality	7c. @ 8c.	7c. @ 8c.
Poorest quality	6c. @ 7c.	5½c. @ 6½c.
General selling prices	7½c. @10c.	7c. @ 9¾c.
Average of all sales	8¼c. @ 8¾c.	8c. @ 8¾c.

The sales of yesterday were from $3@$5 ⅌ head better than to-day. Most of the best cattle were taken yesterday, and partly owing to good quality, and partly on account of a real advance, although slight, more cattle brought the highest figures this week than last week.... The Cattle trade was quite brisk at Albany on Monday last, some 800 to 900 head going East, and several lots changing hands for this market. Those who bought at Albany and retailed their animals here, to-day, found hard work to make a commission out of them.

The following extracts from our copious notes made of transactions during the day, will give the distant reader some idea of the character of the sales:

GUNNEY & MESSERMAN sold 199 cattle at Bergen, and 46 head here. They brought 6¾c.@10c., and were from common to good qualities.

MEAD & HOLCOMB sold 55, mostly State cattle, for themselves and others, generally fair animals, at 6¾c. @10c.

WHITE & SON sold 16 Ohio cattle for GEORGE WELLS; cows, &c., say 3 cwt. to 10 cwt., at 6c.@8c., and 22 Dutchess Co., cattle, on their own account, rated 7½cwt.@10cwt., at an average of 10c. These were among the best lots on sale.

W. FLORENCE, for F. A. YOCUM, 40 good Ohio steers, of 7 cwt., uneven weight, but fine flesh, at 8c.@10c., or from $60 to $80 each.

Mr. YOCUM also had five car-loads detained by a break-down upon the Hudson River Road, but 35 head came in about noon to-day. They were only medium Ohio cattle which W. P. MCINTYRE sold at 7c.@9c. As quite a number of cattle were killed at the smash-up, Mr. YOCUM thinks some of his drove were among them.

E. H. SHEPARD sold 17 head of nice steers from Livingston County for J. HERDLE, fed by himself; 15 of them were taken by NEBEAUX & STRAUS at $15 each—nice 2 and 3-year old steers at 6 cwt. One pair of fine oxen brought $200 or 10c. The lot averaged about 9c.

W. SHERMAN sold 28 Dutchess County cattle at 7c. @10c. Cows and steers of medium to good quality.

C. G. TREE, for E. W. GWYNNE, 48 rather nice Ohio steers of 7½ cwt. at 9c.@10c. Sold yesterday.

S. ULERY, for RUPLE & Co., 63 Ohio steers of pretty good flesh. Rated 8 cwt., strong, and sold at 8c.@ 10c.—few at the former price.

D. G. CULVER sold 30 head of prime Ohio steers on his own account at 10c. Rated 9 cwt. Tops 10¾c. Also 25 Dutchess County cattle of 8½ cwt., at 9c.@ 10¼c. W. LALOR took one pair at $240, estimated 10¼c.

M. DALTON bought 58 State, and 18 Ohio steers at Albany, and retailed them here yesterday and to-day. Mostly good quality, weighing 6½ cwt., and went at 8c@9¾c.

AYRAULT & BROTHER had a choice lot of 54 Kentucky and Ohio steers, bought in Albany. They would dress about 6¾ cwt., and retailed here, to-day, at an average of 10c. They were scarcely second to any lot in market. C. GREEN bought 4 of them at $97 each. W. BARGE took 4 others at $95. Another was taken at $110. Nineteen others averaged $68 each.

AYRAULT had, in addition, 19 light, thin State cattle by GREEN at 7c.@7½c. And 19 Genesee Valley steers, of good fair quality, selling by J. AYRAULT at 9c.@10c.

P. EAGEN sold 38 State cattle, of thinnish flesh, at an average of $83 each. Rated 5¼ cwt.

T. BLOOMER sold 43 Westchester cattle, good oxen, steers and cows, at 7½c.@10c.

MILCH COWS.

The continued warm weather, by keeping up the supply of milk, unfavorably affects those having fresh cows to sell. Excepting for prime milkers, the market is very dull, with a large number of arrivals unsold at the sales' stables. For first-class, well-built cows $50@$60 is a fair price, but far more sell at $35 @$45 each, and others still at $20@$30. There is very little demand for this latter class.

VEAL CALVES.

As is usually the case at this season, the receipts show quite a falling off in numbers as compared with the Summer months. The demand is not active, however, and it is only possible to sell what is brought in. Very few calves command over 6½c., while the majority of fair animals sell at 5c.@6c., and little calves, not fit to eat, go off at $1 25@$2 each.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

The receipts of live sheep, for the past week, number 10,612 head, or near 4,000 less than last week. The demand is fair, and sales are tolerably brisk, at slightly advanced rates. An average lot of sheep will command $3 25@$3 50 each, while some very fine lots sold, to-day, at $8@$10 each, or 4½c.@5c. ⅌ lb., live weight.

BROWNING reports the following receipts at his Sixth-street market for the past week, viz: From New-York, 2,864, brought in, 223 by R. Smith; 152, L. Bain; 95, Smith & Bamber; 20, Mr. Collins; 89, D. Tripp; 223, L. Miller; 136, J. J. Plattner; 320, D. O. Dell; 69, J. R. Brown; 99, C. Snooks; 150, O. Stewart; 363, A. M. Greenley; 96, D. Poncher; 56, E. Howe; 163, F. Lawton; 103, C. Mead; 172, R. Andrews. From New-Jersey, 914, brought in, 148 by R. Bellis; 19, W. Lajor; 63, A. Robbins; 670, Bellis & Kent; 14, G. B. Holcomb.

Among the Sheep Brokers' sales at BROWNING'S during the past week are 878 head, sold by R. H. HUNT for $3,104 12, as follows:

52 head	$196 62	108 head	$400
66 head	224 50	71 head	235
181 head	609 25	66 head	231
150 head	394 23	92 head	368
60 head	252 60		

JAS. MCCARTY sold 366 sheep and lambs at an average of $3 50 each.

THOS. C. LARKIN reports:

190 sheep & lambs	$540 00	67 sheep & lambs	$310 00
52 sheep & lambs	357 10	144 sheep & lambs	406 28
4 sheep & lambs	20 00	22 sheep & lambs	86 51
2 sheep & lambs	22 00	65 sheep & lambs	225 00
3 sheep & lambs	24 00	20 sheep & lambs	67 50
10 sheep & lambs	76 00	47 sheep & lambs	185 40
162 sheep & lambs	616 92		
Totals		806	$2,038 41

Some of the above were very fine, especially the two which brought $11 each.

O'BRIEN & MCGRAW give the following as the receipts at their sixth-street market during the past week: From New-York, 260 by Reed & White; 134, Reed & Bowdich; 100, D. Cushman; 56, G. S. Bedell; 366, H. N. Wright; 55, Capt. C. Shoefelt; 77, D. Miller; 46, J. C. VanAllen; 151, E. Hunt; 63, H. Finkle; 48, C. Plump. From Ohio 212, by J. Carlier, making a total of 1,564.

The following sales are reported:

54 sheep & lambs	$451 00	46 sheep & lambs	$150 50
134 sheep & lambs	794 00	135 sheep & lambs	422 54
176 sheep & lambs	920 00	62 sheep & lambs	176 00
60 sheep & lambs	1,064 37	48 sheep & lambs	148 00
190 sheep & lambs	571 25	212 sheep & lambs	673 00
55 sheep & lambs	170 63	77 sheep & lambs	250 00
Totals		1,531	$5,856 34

Included in the above are two lots by REED & BURPICK, from Otsego County, N. Y. The first were large, heavy sheep, and sold at an average of $6 each. The others were sheep and lambs, and brought $6 ⅌ head.

SWINE.

The demand continues good, fully equal to the supply now coming in. The receipts number 16,873 for the past week, which is over 2,000 less than last week. Prices are unchanged. At the Western yards 6,441 were received, and 10,432 at the Hudson River Yards. ALLERTON quotes 5¾c.@5¾c. for prime corn hogs, and 5¼c.@5½c. for light corn and still-fed hogs. HUGHES & FRENCH report sales of 7,468, with a few thousand left unsold last evening, but probably taken to-day. G. W. DOUGAN, commission broker of West Washington Market, reports as follows:

	Live.	Dead.
Heavy Prime Corn Hogs	5¼@5¾	7 @7½
Light Prime Corn Hogs	5¾@5¾	7 @7½
Common Corn Hogs	5 @5¼	6¾@7
Distillery, heavy, Hogs	5 @5¾	5½@6¾

Arrivals fair; demand good; market steady.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1859.

Commission Sales of Produce for the week ending Dec. 7, 1859, prepared for THE NEW-YORK TIMES by PERRY & JOHNSON, Produce Commission Merchants, No. 231 Fulton-street. Our quotations are such as merchants and producers realize who ship their Produce to this market to be sold on commission.

BUTTER.

What with the election and the very soft rainy week. The receipts continue heavy. Fine Butter of Butter cut not plenty, and more readily [illegible] 28c., while anything extra choice would do still better. Fine Fall made Tubs are selling, in lots, at [illegible] cents. The weather has been very bad for Roll Butter, selling slowly at 15c.@18c. We quote:

Orange County, ⅌ lb	28	@	30
Fine half-firkin tubs, fresh, ⅌ lb	22	@	23
Fair half-firkin tubs, ⅌ lb	16	@	18
Fine State, dairy, firkins, ⅌ lb	20	@	22
Fair State Dairy, firkins	18	@	19
Welsh, tubs, fine, ⅌ lb	20	@	22
Welsh tubs, fair	16	@	18
Western Reserve, choice, ⅌ lb	16	@	18
Ohio, fair to prime, ⅌ lb	12	@	15
Illinois and Wisconsin, ⅌ lb	12	@	16
Roll Butter, Ohio, ⅌ lb	14	@	18
Roll Butter, State, ⅌ lb	16	@	17

CHEESE.

Is without special movement. Fine dairies are held at 11c. to 11½c. Inferior qualities are lower. We quote:

Fine State, ⅌ lb	11	@	11¼
Fair State, ⅌ lb	9	@	10½
Fine Ohio, ⅌ lb	9	@	10½
English Dairy, Ohio, ⅌ lb	9	@	11
English Dairy, Goshen, ⅌ lb	12	@	15
Pineapple, ⅌ lb	13	@	16

EGGS.

Are without material change. The market is steady both for lime and fresh Eggs. We quote:

Fresh Eggs, ⅌ doz	19¼	@	20½
Lime Eggs, ⅌ doz	16	@	17

FRUITS.

Dried Apples are quiet at anything over 7c. The activity imparted by a few German orders has subsided. Dried Peaches are in good request at 15c. to 17c. for bright, small cut Georgias and Virginias, and 16c. to 12c. for dark colored. Unpeeled Peaches command 7c. to 7½c. readily. Other Dried Fruits are scarce and wanted at our quotations. The transactions in Green Apples have been mainly in assorting lots, lying about on the docks, at 18c. to 19c. for Green Fruit, and 20c. for Red. For the week we have had warm weather, and rain for four days, which has caused considerable uneasiness to those having fruit in store, and some lots effected by the rot have been sold at low figures. We quote:

Dried Apples, State, ⅌ lb	7	@	7½
Dried Apples, New Southern, ⅌ lb	4	@	7
Dried Peaches, Southern, peeled, ⅌ lb	10	@	17
Dried Peaches, Southern, unpeeled	7	@	7½
Dried Blackberries, ⅌ lb	—	@	10
Dried Cherries, pitted, ⅌ lb	25	@	—
Dried Plums, ⅌ lb	25	@	—
Dried Raspberries, ⅌ lb	22	@	23
Apples, Greenings, ⅌ bbl	2 25	@	2 50
Apples, Spitzenbergs, ⅌ bbl	2 50	@	2 75
Apples, Gillilflowers, ⅌ bbl	2 25	@	2 50
Cranberries, ⅌ bbl	15 00	@	17 00
Apples, Newtown Pippins, ⅌ bbl	5 00	@	7 50

BEANS AND PEAS.

The receipts of Beans are small, and prime qualities sell readily. Canada Peas are plenty, and a shade easier. We quote:

BEANS.

Small Pea, new, ⅌ bushel	$1 25	@	$1 50
Medium, new, ⅌ bushel	—	@	1 25
Kidney, ⅌ bushel	—	@	1 75
Marrowfat, ⅌ bushel	1 50	@	1 62
Red, ⅌ bushel	—	@	2 50
China, ⅌ bushel	1 75	@	—

PEAS.

Canada, ⅌ bushel	70	@	75
Black-eyed, ⅌ bushel	1 25	@	1 37½
Marrowfat, Green, ⅌ bushel	1 75	@	2 00
Marrowfat White, ⅌ bushel	—	@	1 50

SEEDS

Clover is in request at 8¼c.@8¾c. for prime parcels. Timothy scarce, and salable at $2 50@$2 75. Flax Seed is in ready sale at $1 50 to $1 55. We quote:

Clover, ⅌ lb	$0 08	@	$0 08½
Timothy, ⅌ bushel	2 50	@	2 75
Flaxseed, ⅌ bushel	1 50	@	1 55

NUTS.

Hickory Nuts are saleable at 8s.@10s. Chestnuts are out of market, and we drop quotations.

Hickory Nuts, extra, ⅌ bushel	—	@	$1 25
Hickory Nuts, fair, ⅌ bushel	—	@	1 00

HONEY.

We quote:

Clover, in Boxes, ⅌ lb	16	@	16
Buckwheat, ⅌ lb	14	@	15
Strained, ⅌ lb	9	@	10

POULTRY AND GAME.

With receipts above the average, and several days of soft, wet weather, prices are lower. We notice considerable improvement in the quality of Poultry this Winter, and with cold weather and a fair amount coming forward, shippers have done a very satisfactory business. Game fairly covers the demand. Venison is in small supply and finds a ready sale.

Turkeys, dressed, ⅌ lb	10	@	12
Fowls, dressed, ⅌ lb	7	@	9
Chickens, dressed, ⅌ lb	8	@	11
Ducks, dressed, ⅌ lb	10	@	12
Geese, fat, ⅌ lb	8	@	10
Woodcock, ⅌ pair	31	@	38
Squabs, ⅌ dozen	2 50	@	2 75
Wild Pigeons, ⅌ dozen	—	@	50
Wild Pigeons, stall fed, ⅌ dozen	1 00	@	1 25
Wild Duck, ⅌ pair	37	@	50
Wood Ducks, ⅌ pair	—	@	50
Quail, ⅌ dozen	1 25	@	1 50
Canvas-Back Ducks, ⅌ pair	1 25	@	1 50
Red-Head Ducks, ⅌ pair	—	@	75
Partridges, ⅌ pair	50	@	56
English Snipe, ⅌ pair	1 25	@	1 75
Venison, ⅌ lb	8	@	11
Bear Meat, ⅌ lb	—	@	12
Wild Geese, each	50	@	75

VEGETABLES.

The stock of Potatoes offering is large and mostly of poor quality. There is some twelve cargoes of Nova Scotias in, selling at 40c.@45c. ⅌ bushel. It is thought when the poor and frozen stuff is worked off that good brands will advance.

Potatoes, Nova Scotias, ⅌ bushel	40	@	45
Potatoes, Sweet, Philadelphia, ⅌ bbl	2 50	@	2 75
Potatoes, Sweet, Virginia, ⅌ bbl	1 50	@	1 75
Dykeman, ⅌ bbl	1 75	@	2 00
Mercers, ⅌ bbl	1 75	@	2 00
Peach Blows, ⅌ bbl	1 25	@	1 75
Junes, ⅌ bbl	1 25	@	1 50
Western Reds, ⅌

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Lucia' Charity Fair.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—Wife's Secret—Born to Be Hung.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—Afternoon and Evening—The Poor by Divorce.

WINTER GARDEN—The Octoroon.

NEW BOWERY THEATRE—Faust—Harrigan's Jack.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—Afternoon and Evening—The Poor by Divorce.

GRATHAM AMPHITHEATRE—Burnt & Allen's Circus.

[illegible] GARDEN—Van Amburgh & Co.'s Menagerie.

[illegible]—No. 561 Broadway—Ethiopian [illegible]

BIRNO'S SALOON—George Christy's Minstrels.

PALACE GARDEN MUSIC HALL—Concert by the Germania Union.

BROOKLYN INSTITUTE—Lectures of Dollie Dutton, Commencing at 7½ P. M.

TRIPLE HALL—Home of Shakspeare's Temple.

INTERNATIONAL ART INSTITUTION—Exhibition of Paintings.

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STUYVESANT INSTITUTE—Geographical Pictures of Charles L. Ric Vera-Cruz.

ACADEMY OF DESIGN—Rogers & Mozier's Paintings "The Head of Washington after the War."

BOSWORTH GALLERY—No. 680 Broadway—Palmer's Statue, "The Weird Captive."

BOTH CHAPEL—Wagner's Italia.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Our European intelligence is extended to the 24th ult. by the arrival of the *Edinburgh* and the Queen Queen at this port. The general news is of secondary moment. The Emperor of the French has, through the *Moniteur*, expressed his concurrence with the choice of Chevalier BUONCOMPAGNI as the Regency of the Duchies, pronouncing it a provisional measure. The ratification of the treaties of Zurich having been exchanged, it was understood that the letters summoning the General Congress would forthwith issue from Paris, and that those of Austria had already been submitted to the French Foreign Office. The attitude of England was still undefined. It is again represented that Russia and Prussia will only accept seats on condition that England takes in the deliberations. Affairs in Italy have manifested no significant change. Gen. GARIBALDI has, it seems, not only withdrawn from the command of the Central Army, but has actually retired to private life. In a manifesto just issued, addressed to the Italian people, he laments that the golden opportunity for Italian independence, secured by the war, has been lost; but anticipating for the national cause a more fortunate day, he exhorts his countrymen to amass the means and material of war in readiness for the coming day. The apprehensions of John Bull, in regard to France, are quieted by the rumor of instructions sent to the French Press, requiring them to moderate their Anglophobia. *The London Times* sounds a peace note; and although the Paris correspondent of the *Herald* denies that any such instructions as those referred to had been issued, the fever of excitement in England was rapidly cooling. The *Times* had taken occasion to explain the nature of the occupation of Perim, showing it to be less a military than a commercial measure.

The proceedings of Congress, yesterday, as little encouraged the hope of an early organization, and commencement of business, as they did the day before. The Senate still filibustered on the Harper's Ferry and Liberty Arsenal questions, with a slight dash at Helper's "Crisis." The principal speakers for the South were, Senators MALLORY, BROWN, IVERSON, CLINGMAN, CHESNUT and GREEN. To encounter them came, from the North, Senators SIMMONS, CHANDLER, HALE and KING; all of the latter sustaining the amendment of Mr. TRUMBULL, and engaging to pass the Mason resolution with that addition. The discussion, without eliciting any striking truths or decisive expression of sentiment, occupied the day. The House also addicted itself for the greater part of the day to the business of agitation, Mr. KELLOGG, of Illinois, opening the fight by raising a question of privilege in reference to statements made by a correspondent of a New-York paper. In that connection, Mr. KELLOGG stated that Mr. DOUGLAS had been chosen Senator, in the recent Illinois canvass, in consequence of a back-parlor bargain with the Black Republicans, a treaty with the stipulations of which Mr. KELLOGG declared himself familiar. The discussion following this disclosure was violent. In the course of it Mr. NELSON, of Tennessee, took occasion to glorify the patriotic Administration of Mr. FILLMORE; and Mr. PAYNE, of Virginia, to express his conviction that on the subject of Slavery the Northern supporters of DOUGLAS are no whit sounder than the Republicans. The discussion at once assumed a personal character, Mr. PAYNE denouncing Mr. NELSON for disloyalty to the South, because that gentleman was unable to regard the election of a Republican President as sufficient motive for secession; and Mr. NELSON, uttering union sentiments, which elicited the irrepressible applause of the audience. A ballotupon the Speakership was subsequently obtained, there being 231 members present, and 116 being necessary for a choice. The result was SHERMAN 107, BOCOCK 89, GILMER 22, scattering 14.

To an inquiry from a Virginia Postmaster relative to his right to stop incendiary matters at the present crisis, the Postmaster-General replied that the people of Virginia may not only forbid the introduction and dissemination of such documents within their borders, but if they are brought there in the mails, they may by appropriate legal proceedings have them destroyed; they have the same right to extinguish fire brands thus impiously hurled in the midst of their homes and altars, that a man has to pluck the burning fuse from a bomb-shell which is about to explode at his feet.

The Overland Mail brings San Francisco advices to Nov. 14, with later intelligence from all parts of the North Pacific. The mission of Gen. SCOTT at San Juan appears to have been executed, so far at least as his confidential instructions would warrant, and to the satisfaction of all parties concerned. All the troops, save one company, had been withdrawn from the disputed island. A personal interview of a satisfactory character had taken place between the American commander and Gov. DOUGLASS, and the British naval officers on the station had extended courteous hospitality to the veteran. While awaiting further instructions, Gen. SCOTT has returned to San Francisco. The Democracy of Oregon were preparing for the election of delegates to Charleston. Throughout that State, and in Washington Territory, the excitement created by the discovery of the new gold diggings continues without abatement. At San Francisco business has slightly improved. There is no political intelligence from California. Later dates from the Sandwich Islands refer to the success of the Northern whaling fleet; and furnish the gratifying information that Mr. NEILSON, who was recently wounded by the King in an access of passion, is rapidly recovering.

The Northern sympathy with the South in the present crisis is finding general expression. A [illegible] of prominent citizens of New-York, [illegible], was held last evening at the Le[illegible] to make arrangements for a general [illegible] in which to express the sentiments [illegible] of this City relative to the re[illegible] of old BROWN at Harper's Ferry. [illegible] were made and a Committee of Arrangements [illegible]. A similar meeting is summoned [illegible] for to-day. At Philadelphia a formidable [illegible] of the same character was made [illegible] at which thousands, notwithstanding [illegible] were present, and the speeches [illegible] to the Union, and reproba[illegible] BROWN was delivered last [illegible] in the Cooper Institute [illegible] GRAY PARK, who, with his [illegible] is known in the history of [illegible] the battle of Black Jack." [illegible] things favorable to [illegible] quite sympathetic to BROWN, and [illegible] the Union. He was [illegible]

[illegible] of the Charter Election [illegible] do not materially vary [illegible] published yesterday. The plurality of WOOD over HAVEMEYER will be increased rather [illegible] by the official canvass. Judge [illegible]'s plurality for Counsel to the Corporation is somewhat reduced by additional returns on the Republican ticket, but he still leads TILDEN by 6,606, and beats HULL by 8,546. Mr. LYNCH (Mozart Hall) is elected Governor of the Almshouse by a plurality of 1,204 over PINKNEY (Republican;) but the latter will also take his seat in the Board,—the Charter providing that the candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall be appointed by the Mayor. The Common Council is largely Democratic in both branches; and in the Board of Councilmen, ten Mozart Hall candidates are joined in company with seven Union Democrats (Tammany and Mozart.) There is a probability of the election of six Republican Councilmen from the Seventh District, although the returns are not sufficiently full to determine this positively. In the Board of Aldermen, there is not one Republican. The returns for the School Commissioners have not been received in detail; but we have sufficient to know that of the twenty-one just elected, two-thirds are Democrats. The Board of Education will stand, Democrats 24, Republicans 19.

The annual estimate of the expenditures of the City Government for 1860, was submitted to the Board of Aldermen by the Comptroller, last evening. It was directed that 1,500 copies of it be printed. After some debate, the award of the contract for the removal of the night-soil from the City for five years, to THOMAS A. DUNN, at $16,000 per annum, was confirmed. Considerable routine business was transacted and the Board adjourned. The Board of Councilmen received the monthly statement of the Corporation Attorney, showing that $131 94 was paid in November, in fines, for violations of Corporation ordinances. The Board concurred with the Aldermen in appropriating $500 to the New-York Infirmary for Indigent Women and Children. The sum of $4,422 was granted to the Colored Orphan Asylum, to pay their assessment. The sum of $500 was voted to the Presidents of the Aldermen and Councilmen for acting in the Board of Health, $250 for the use of a horse and wagon for the Superintendent of Roads, $5,000 for "water pipes and laying" for the Croton Department, $250 to Mr. OGANYAN for interpreting for the Turkish Rear-Admiral. Reports were adopted in favor of purchasing a plot of ground for a fire alarm-bell for the First and Second District, and of paving Thirty-eighth-street, between Fourth and Eighth avenues, with Belgian pavement. The Board concurred with the Aldermen in confirming the award of the night soil contract to THOS. A. DUNN. The Board passed the application of the New-York and Yonkers Railroad Company, with a few minor modifications, and adjourned to this evening. At the meeting of the Board of Governors the weekly statement showed that there remained in the Institutions on December 1, 7,797, being an increase of 73 during the past week; 1,165 were discharged, 131 were sent to the Penitentiary, 28 died, and 4 were removed to States Prison. A present of a book was received from Hibernia Engine Company No. 1, of Philadelphia. The Warden of Bellevue Hospital was reminded to obey the rules of the Board against contracting bills outside for articles not in his requisition; and a Committee was empowered to make arrangements for a new piano at the Lunatic Asylum. The School officers of the 19th Ward sent a communication to the Board of Education, asking for an appropriation of $41,280 to build a new school-house in Seventy-ninth-street. It was referred. There was also a petition from the officers of the Seventh Ward, for $12,000 to purchase lots in Monroe-street for a new Primary School, which was referred. The Board decided that hereafter no money be paid for lectures in any of the Ward Schools, and also to adhere to the former estimates of expenses for 1860.

The Live Stock Markets have been less abundantly supplied the past week than during the two or three previous months. During the week ending yesterday, the total receipts at the regular yards of live animals destined for slaughter numbered, beef cattle, 3,790; veal calves, 462; sheep and lambs, 10,612; swine, 16,873; also of milch cows, 129; total, 31,875. Total last week, 33,930; being a decline of 485 beeves, 137 veals, 3,818 sheep, 16 cows, and an increase of 2,467 hogs. At yesterday's general weekly market, beef cattle *sold a trifle better than last week, say 10c.@10½c.* ℔ lb., estimated dressed weight, for a few of the best offered; medium quality, 8¾c.@9¼c.; poorest, 6c.@7c.; average of all sorts, 8¼c.@8¾c. Cows in better demand at former low rates. Veals dull; prices unchanged. Sheep sold a trifle better than last week. Swine were in fair request, but not all sold; prices same as last week; corn-fed, 5¼c.@5¾c. ℔ lb. live weight.

A brisk inquiry prevailed for Flour, especially for State brands, which were freely purchased, in part, for export, at uniform rates. Light transactions were reported in Grain and Groceries, as also in Cotton, Hides, Leather, Hops, Metals, Naval Stores, Tallow and Tobacco. Provisions and Whisky were in demand. Dry Codfish, Smoked Herring, Hay and Seeds attracted more attention. Freights were more active, and extensive engagements of Flour were effected for Liverpool and Glasgow. There were 437 vessels of all classes in port.

Gov. Wise's Message.

After the War come the Chroniclers. Gov. WISE has accordingly written his history of the Harper's Ferry affair—in the form of a Message to the Virginia Legislature. We print it at length in another part of this morning's TIMES. It occupies a good deal more space than all the messages, addresses, orders of the day, and official reports of the Emperor NAPOLEON, during the whole course of the Italian War; and it will not be the fault of Gov. WISE if the events which it records shall appear less important on the page of history, than those which signalized the march of the French armies through the Plains of Lombardy. The Governor brings to his task all the resources of rhetoric, and makes the most out of the somewhat slender materials at his command.

He labored, to begin with, under the somewhat oppressive necessity of magnifying the facts of the case, in order to justify his own official acts. The immense military display which he has made is very widely regarded, South as well as North, as having been needless, foolish and injurious in its effects. The Virginians themselves feel its expense, and suspect that it has made them ridiculous. The Charleston *Mercury* and other Southern journals have spoken very plainly of its folly, and it has done more to check and repress the expression of conservative sentiment in the Northern States than any other cause. Naturally, therefore, Gov. WISE feels it necessary to vindicate his action by presenting, in the strongest possible light, the dangers which menaced the peace of Virginia, and the foes against whom these military forces were arrayed. He has done this with skill and vigor, and as much success as the case admits.

Our objection to the Message is its untruth. It belongs essentially to the literature of the imagination. It bases the gravest and most important views of public policy on what we believe to be utterly unfounded assumptions and misconceptions of fact. We do not allege that Gov. WISE was at all conscious that he was doing this. We think it altogether probable that he believes in the dangers which he paints. But self-deception on such a point is less criminal, but not a whit less mischievous than a willful misleading of the public mind. Gov. WISE approaches and discusses the subject, not like a dispassionate judge, but like a heated partisan; and he naturally does himself injustice and his constituents a serious injury.

The Governor draws a vivid and over-colored picture of the invasion itself. He writes on this point in a vein of exaggeration which is utterly out of place, and can serve no other purpose than to excite still further the public mind. But this is of small importance. He understands perfectly that the mere facts of the case, *however startling and dreadful* skillful over-coloring may make them, can never justify to the public the demonstrations by which they have been followed. He therefore speaks of BROWN and his confederates as "the little band of desperadoes who were *sent ahead* to kindle the sparks of a general conflagration;" he alleges that "an *entire social and sectional sympathy* has incited their crimes, and now rises in rebellion and insurrection to the height of sustaining and justifying their enormity;"—he asserts that "the one idea of Abolition has secured to madden *whole masses of one entire* section of the country;"—and he declares that Virginia must take up arms "unless the *numerical majority* will immediately and absolutely cease to disturb her peace, and to destroy the lives and property of her people." This assumption that the whole North,—or a very large proportion of its people,—incited the invasion, aided it, indorsed it, sympathized with its objects and are prepared to repeat it, runs through the whole Message, and gives to it all its force and importance.

Now *we deny*, as we have often done before, utterly and totally, *the truth of these assumptions*. They are the offspring of the imagination; they have no existence in actual, tangible fact. Gov. WISE has no warrant for saying that BROWN and his associates were "*sent ahead*" by anybody,—that they had any reason to expect that they would be joined by recruits from the North, or that they had received either money, arms or aid of any kind, to any considerable extent, from anybody in the Northern States. On the contrary, it seems reasonably certain that BROWN himself was the head and front of the whole affair,—that he conceived it, planned it, and entered upon its execution, relying almost exclusively on himself, the handful of his confederates and the slaves whom he had been induced to believe, would instantly rally to his standard in such numbers as to render all other aid superfluous. To be sure, half a dozen men in Northern States have been brought under suspicion by the letters and statements of Col. FORBES,—and they have confirmed these suspicions by flying from the country. It is quite probable that FRED. DOUGLAS and Dr. HOWE and GERRITT SMITH and Col. FORBES knew of BROWN's design, and gave it countenance and possibly active aid. But beyond this little clique, Gov. WISE has no reason to connect the name of any Northern man with the movement;—and he cannot be so utterly demented as to regard *them* as in any sense, or to any extent, representatives of the people of the Northern States.

Gov. WISE owes it to common fairness to bear in mind that every one of BROWN's companions had been his accomplice in KANSAS;—that every rifle given to him, so far as they can be traced, was given for the KANSAS war;—that the money contributed was for the same object;—that the pikes were paid for out of that money,—and that his whole military organization, so far as he had any, was originally intended for KANSAS, and was transferred from that field to Virginia by BROWN himself, without the complicity or knowledge of those who had aided in getting it up. We need not discuss the KANSAS war;—its history and character are known. It may have been wrong for Northern men to send money and arms thither, for the purpose of carrying on the war. But that was a different thing from invading Virginia—and Gov. WISE cannot hold men accountable for the latter, because they were guilty of the former. The BROWN crusade was merely a relic of the KANSAS fight,—a transfer of men and *arms and money and motives from KANSAS to* Virginia;—and, so far as appears, the only parties responsible for it are the men who *made it. There is no evidence whatever,*—nothing which would stand a moment's scrutiny in a Court of justice or at the bar of common sense, to sustain the assertion of Gov. WISE that these men were "*sent ahead* to kindle the sparks of a general conflagration."

Equally untrue and unjust is the Governor's assumption that this invasion is approved or indorsed by the people of the North. We have over and over again protested against this unfairness, when committed by Southern newspapers. We had a right to expect that Governor WISE would not repeat it. He should know better than to receive the clamors of a few Abolitionists as the voice of the whole North. If he has read the harangues which he cites, he knows that they come from the same old apostles of Abolitionism who have been preaching and clamoring for twenty years, and whose influence has steadily been growing less and less, until they have ceased to attract attention or excite any feeling beyond that of curiosity. There are not two pulpits in this City, nor twenty in all the Northern States, which have said one word in justification of BROWN's act. Beyond the organs of Abolitionism, there are not half a dozen presses in the North, of the slightest influence, which have failed to condemn it. Political demagogues have tried to use it here, as they have in Virginia, to the advancement of their own ends,—but with not half as much success. The "sympathy" for BROWN, of which Gov. WISE makes so much, was merely for his personal qualities, not in the least for his act,—and was fully shared by Gov. WISE himself. The reports of conspiracies for his rescue, so far as we have any evidence, were utterly unfounded.

In short, Gov. WISE utterly *misrepresents and falsifies* the sentiments and feelings of the North when he assumes, and assures the people of Virginia that it approves of BROWN's invasion, and sympathizes with the spirit which prompted it. He will doubtless intensify the resentment which already prevails in that State against the North,—and thereby inflict serious injury upon his own community and upon the country at large. But we are confident that time will dissipate the delusion under which he labors, and prevent the most serious of the calamities which his official action is so well calculated to involve.

A Trifle Too Late.

It is pleasant to find errors acknowledged by those who make them, even when it is too late to apply a remedy. The *Tribune*, yesterday, affords a case in point. It has been all along urging on citizens to vote for Mr. HULL, the Republican nominee for Corporation Counsel, and protesting against the general impression that he was not a proper man for the place. Now, that he is defeated, it concedes the truth of this objection, and commends Judge BRONSON as emphatically the right man in the right place. The *Tribune* knew just as much about Mr. HULL before the election as it does now; it did not see fit, however, to give the public the benefit of its knowledge, but urged all who confided in its counsel to give him their votes.

The *Tribune* will plead in defence of its course the fact that Mr. HULL had been fairly nominated by the Republican Party, and that it did not see fit to counsel opposition to any Republican nominee. Its *first* duty was to the party,—its second, to the public. The same principle constrained it to support Mr. *OPDYKE for Mayor, and to assure everybody,* over and over again, with all the emphasis of absolute certainty, that his vote would be far ahead of HAVEMEYER's, and that it was only by adhering to him that WOOD's defeat could be secured. The *party* was thus kept together,—the Democracy divided, Tammany Hall crippled, and the prospects of a row in the Democratic Presidential Convention considerably increased. These results have been secured at the expense of the City, but that is a matter of secondary importance. The good of the party is the first point;—that must be looked after, at all hazards; other interests can receive attention afterwards. The day after election will be time enough for *their* discussion.

We need not say that we dissent entirely from this view of the duty of a public journal, which aims to be anything more than the retained advocate of party interests. The first duty of every one who assumes the office of a public teacher is to the public. If party interests clash with that, he is bound to disregard them.

Who is Responsible?

The forty-seven thousand voters who opposed the election of FERNANDO WOOD are now nearly unanimous in the belief that a great mistake was made in not uniting upon a candidate against him. Some of them, it is true, hold a different language, because they went into the canvass with other motives. They had no special personal liking for Mr. WOOD, but they preferred his success to that of Mr. HAVEMEYER, because it would do more to divide and distract the Democratic Party. They had, therefore, no disposition from the start to unite against him, unless they could do so without giving any advantage to Tammany Hall. They would not positively object to electing their own party candidate, though even that would damage the enemy less than the election of WOOD; but they were resolutely hostile to the success of the Tammany candidate.

But those who take this view and are actuated by such sentiments, comprise only the more active and unscrupulous among the leaders of the Republican Party. The great mass of Republicans as well as of other good citizens, who regard the welfare of the City more than the temporary gratification of party spirit, regret the failure of the Opposition to unite, and do not quite understand the reason for it. As usual, there is blame on both sides. We think Mr. HAVEMEYER ought to have made up his mind to accept the nomination when it was offered to him as an independent candidate, provided there was a reasonable chance of his receiving in that position the support of the great body of the anti-Wood Democrats. The Tammany Hall leaders were at fault in refusing to accept any candidate but one of their own party, nominated distinctly on that ground; and neither they nor Mr. HAVEMEYER had any right under these circumstances, to claim Republican votes, or to rely on any support but that of their own party. That they did thus rely on outside votes, proves that they attribute to their opponents a degree of disinterestedness and regard for the public good, to which they do not even lay claim themselves.

There is this thing, however, to be considered: it would have been difficult and probably impossible to command any large portion of the Tammany Hall vote for a Republican candidate—no matter what understanding might have been entered into. The mass of the voters of that party are not men who allow considerations of the public good to outweigh their party feelings, or even their regard for the party name. They would never have voted for a Republican. *If there was to* be an effective union at all—one that would amount to anything, and not scatter the Tammany Democracy utterly, it could only be upon a Democrat.

Knowing this to be so, the Republicans might very well have waived all considerations of etiquette and stifled all feelings of insulted pride and wounded dignity,—and again supported a Democratic candidate. It was not their duty, certainly, as Republicans, to do any such thing;—but as citizens they, in common with all others, were bound to do the best they could, under the circumstances of the case, to promote the public good. The grounds on which they were urged to vote for Mr. OPDYKE, and the reasons given why they should not in any event vote for Mr. HAVEMEYER, were in our judgment utterly inconclusive. And the responsibility for the result rests mainly with those who, for purely party purposes, prevented their voting for the candidate who, as the event proves, had the greatest popular strength against FERNANDO WOOD.

A Broken Reed.

The *Evening Post*, in anticipation of outrageous maladministration on the part of FERNANDO WOOD, seeks to console itself and its readers by the reflection, that under the last Charter the Governor has power to remove the Mayor, Comptroller and Corporation Counsel for cause. It is too much the fashion now-a-days, of people who neglect their political duties, to rely on the Courts and the Governor and the Legislature to save them from the consequences of their faults. People who don't vote, and let the rabble manage the Government, are apt to trust to the military as a last resource. When they allow a rascally Common Council to be elected, and the streets, as a consequence of their remissness, to go unswept and unwatered, they sigh for LOUIS NAPOLEON, or some despot like him, to set matters to rights. And so on through the long *rôle* of Municipal grievances. People detest the constant vigilance and self-denying effort which are needed to make a Democratic Government tolerable, and prefer to let abuses come to a head, and then fall back for relief on the Governor, or a Vigilance Committee, or martial law, or some other violent remedy. This unfortunate tendency of the public is quite comprehensible when we remember how unwillingly the mass of mankind are to submit to the daily precautions which must be observed by any one who wishes to preserve his health. Most people follow their own course till the crisis comes, and rely for safety on a "ready relief," or a "liver invigorator," or some other desperate resource.

The good people of New-York knew perfectly well on Tuesday that nothing but a substantial union of FERNANDO WOOD's enemies could defeat him in the contest for the Mayoralty. The Republicans chose not to coalesce, and insisted upon having a candidate of their own, first, because the Fifth-avenue Democrats had abused SEWARD and WEED; and next, because BRADY and SCHELL spoke disrespectfully of the Republican Party; and thirdly and lastly, because Supervisor BELL was guilty of "low trickery" about the Registry law. These are all reasons, and perhaps very good ones, for being offended with the Fifth-avenue Democrats, and Messrs. SCHELL, BELL, and BRADY, and for not giving them Republican nominations; but they are not reasons for assisting WOOD to regain possession of the City. The City contains a large number of tax-payers who have suffered no injury at the hands either of WALTER SHERMAN & COMPANY, or SCHELL, BELL & BRADY; and for a body of men like the Republican Party to hand them over, neck and heels, to such depleters of purses as WOOD, DEVLIN & Co. are reputed to be, to avenge their own wrongs, is something very like paying one's debts with other people's money. So if Fernando Wood be an infliction, our Republican friends are the very last persons entitled to ask for relief at the hands of the law.

In this particular case we can hardly conceive of a contingency in FERNANDO's administration short of his actually raising an insurrection, that would justify the Governor in interfering under the Charter. He would be perfectly justified in treating an application for any such exercise of his discretionary power as Governor KING treated an application for Coroner CONNERY's removal during the Cunningham trial. Governor KING, in answer to the petition, said very justly that, as the people elected CONNERY, he was bound to presume that they knew exactly what sort of a man he was, and what sort of conduct in office might be expected of him, and he refused to meddle with him. As long as public functionaries are elected by universal suffrage, this will continue to be a complete answer to all demands for the interference of the Executive.

It would be hard to conceive of a case to which it applies more strongly than WOOD's. We doubt if there has ever been an officer elected in this State whose character, capability and antecedents were all so thoroughly well known to the electors; so, that, if the groans of an oppressed City should ascend to Albany for relief during his term of office, we hope they will be treated with the contempt they deserve. For, in our opinion, it will need the worst excesses of a worse Mayor than we believe WOOD is likely to prove, to convince the people of this City that if they ever mean it to be well governed, they must get rid, at whatever cost, of the insane delusion that they can do their duty to Nebraska and Sonora and to New-York City by one and the same ballot, or that the world will not judge of the capacity of a party for governing a whole nation by what they see of its capacity for governing one Municipality. Nothing will ever induce mankind to believe that either a man or a body of men can be high-souled and pure-minded, and self-sacrificing in one parallel [of latitude, and selfish, tricky and petty in their aims in another.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM THE PACIFIC COAST.

The Overland Mail—Movements of Gen. Scott—Troops Withdrawn From San Juan—From British Columbia, Oregon and the Sandwich Islands—Trade at San Francisco.

ST. LOUIS, Tuesday, Dec. 6.

The Overland Mail has arrived here with San Francisco dates of the 14th ult.

The news is meagre and unimportant.

The advices from Vancouver Island are to the 10th inst.

The U. S. Revenue cutter *Jeff. Davis* arrived at Victoria Nov. 2d, with dispatches from Gen. SCOTT to Gov. DOUGLASS.

Gen. SCOTT arrived at Victoria Nov. 7, but the papers do not state whether he had an interview with Gov. DOUGLASS.

The Victoria *Gazette* of Nov. 10 says that the United States troops, with the exception of Capt. PICKETT's company, have withdrawn from San Juan, by order of Gen. SCOTT.

Capt. PROVOST and the officers of the British ship Satellite visited Gen. SCOTT on board the steamer *Massachusetts*, while she was in the harbor of San Juan.

Gen. SCOTT left Victoria previous to the 10th of November, for Fort Townsend, to take the steamer *Northerner* for San Francisco, where he would await further instructions from Washington.

The accounts from the Frazer River mines are favorable.

One hundred and five thousand dollars in gold was exported from Victoria in October.

A franchise bill had passed the Council, and had received the signature of the Governor.

Oregon dates are to Nov. 9.

The Portland *News* publishes additional accounts from the new mines on Similkamen River, which create a strong probability of an extensive gold region on the eastern slope of the Cascade Mountains, north and west of the Columbia River.

The Dalles *Journal* urges the exploration of all the tributaries of the Columbia River, in Washington Territory.

The Democratic State Convention was to assemble at Eugene City, on the 10th, to elect delegates to the Charleston Convention.

Dates from Washington Territory are to Nov. 4. The reports from the Similkamen mines were creating much excitement. Three thousand dollars worth of dust had already arrived at Portland.

The bark *Frances Palmer* arrived at San Francisco on the 14th, with Sandwich Island dates of Oct. 27. Some 50 whalers had arrived at Honolulu, 30 at Lahaina, and five at Hilo, from the Ochotsk Sea.

The average catch of the Ochotsk Sea fleet would not exceed five hundred barrels, and that of the Arctic fleet hardly so much.

The ship *Black Sea*, which arrived at Honolulu Oct. 2, had been laid on in opposition to the *Sylvia*, for New-Bedford.

The bark *Behring*, from Petropaulorski, reports the loss of the bark *Melita*, off the Amoor River; also that the runaway ship *Messenger Bird* had been seen off Petropaulorski, bound for parts unknown.

Some anxiety was felt at Honolulu by the non-arrival of the ship *Josiah Bradlee*, 161 days out from Boston, laden with supplies for the whaling fleet.

The whalers *Kutusoff* and *Saratoga* had laid on for oil for New-Bedford, at less rates than the merchantmen.

Secretary NEILSON, who was recently shot by the King in a fit of jealousy, had nearly recovered.

Heavy rains had furnished abundance of water for mining operations in California, even in the dryest diggings.

The Overland Mail of Oct. 24, reached San Francisco on the 13th, twenty days out, the shortest trip yet made.

The Italian Relief Committee forwarded $2,900 by the steamer of the 5th November, for the relief of the destitute widows of soldiers killed in the late war.

Discouraging accounts had been received from the Carson Valley mines, resulting, doubtless, from inability to work the mines, on account of cold weather.

A rich vein of gold-bearing quartz had been discovered near Genoa.

The Portland (Oregon) *Advertiser* denies the statement that Gen. HARNEY is unpopular in Oregon. It says that no man stands higher, and asserts that had HARNEY been sent there instead of Gen. WOOL, the Indian difficulties would have been terminated more speedily. The war debt has now been liquidated.

Business at San Francisco was a trifle brisker, and prices were firmer, but only small lots of goods were in demand.

Arrived at San Francisco 12th, steamer *Golden Gate* from Panama; ships *Golden Fleece* and *Anglo-Saxon* from New-York; *Mary Whiteridge* from Hong Kong; barks *Comet* from Shanghai; and *Adelaide* from Manilla.

THE SOUTHERN ROUTE.

NEW-ORLEANS, Tuesday, Dec. 6.

The Overland California Mail of the 14th ult. *via* El Paso, has arrived here, the trip having been made with unprecedented dispatch.

The National Democratic Executive Committee.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 5.

The National Executive Democratic Committee met this evening. All the States were represented except Maryland, Georgia, Alabama and California.

After a brief interchange of opinion, Monday, the 2nd of April, was fixed for the time of the meeting of the National Democratic Convention.

A Resident Committee was appointed to superintend the printing and publication of documents, &c., consisting of the following gentlemen: C. L. Vallandigham, of Ohio, *Chairman*; *C. J. Faulkner*, of Virginia; John Cochrane, of New-York; John A. Logan, of Illinois; Wm. Bigler, of Pennsylvania; Wm. Barksdale, of Mississippi; Miles Taylor, of Louisiana, and W. H. English, of Indiana.

On motion of Mr. VANATA, of New-Jersey, the Chairman and Secretaries were authorized to procure a suitable hall at Charleston to hold the Convention, and to issue tickets of admission to the Delegates to said Convention, duly appointed by the Reg-

[illegible]

The election today, for State officers, [illegible] the Wyandotte Constitution, [illegible] ment. The result cannot be stated for certainty, but it is thought it will differ materially from the vote given in October for Territorial officers.

HON. ADRIAN LEGRAND and Mr. PARSONS [illegible] to-morrow, for Washington.

Delegates to the Charleston Convention.

PORTSMOUTH, Wednesday, Dec. 5.

The Rockingham County Democratic District Convention was held here today. [illegible] were elected delegates to the Charleston National Convention.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

MURDER AT SEA.—HENRY A. [illegible], was yesterday, arrested, charged with the murder of Andrew Tuomey, a seaman on board the Country of the South. The prisoner, who was the mate, [illegible] involved in a quarrel with Tuomey, and blows ensuing his death. The affair occurred on the 16th of [illegible] at 1 P. M.

FIRE IN BROADWAY.—Last night, between 9 and 10 o'clock, a fire occurred in the store of H. [illegible], dealer in natural flowers and [illegible], No. 541 Broadway. The stock, valued at $[illegible], was nearly destroyed, but is fully insured. The building, owned by DAVID ASHBENTLY, adjoining, was damaged by water to the amount of $100, and is insured in the St. Nicholas Pacific and another City Insurance Company. The building, belonging to the Contoz estate, was damaged about $150, and insured in the Lenox Insurance Company.

FATALLY INJURED IN A FIGHT.—On Tuesday evening a Nineteenth Ward [illegible] CHARLES DUNNY lying insensible on the sidewalk at the corner of Forty-second-street and [illegible]. He was removed to Bellevue Hospital, and upon investigation his skull was found to be fractured. The unfortunate man subsequently rallied sufficiently to state that he had received his injuries in a fight with three men in Thirty-second-street, near [illegible]-avenue. It is believed that he cannot survive.

ACCIDENT ON THE HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—Further particulars of the accident on the two-mile bridge near Sing Sing, inform us that repairs have been made, so that the trains were running yesterday, with usual regularity. These piles were some broken, and it is expected that by today the bridge will have been permanently repaired.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY LECTURE.—Mr. H. J. RAYMOND will deliver a Lecture this evening, the first before the Mercantile Library Association, at Clinton Hall, Astor-place. Subject—"The Italo War in Italy."

FOR EUROPE.—The Cunard steamer *Africa*, which left yesterday for Liverpool, carried twenty passengers and a moderate amount of specie.

Coroners' Inquests.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT DEAD.

An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner SCHERMERHORN at the New-York Hospital upon the body of RICHARD FEEN, a watchman, employed at Catharine Ferry, who died from the effects of a gunshot wound in his right thigh. From the evidence adduced, it appears that JOHN HOBKINS, a laborer, who lives in Brooklyn, went to the Ferry at 5 o'clock yesterday morning, with the object of crossing. He had spent the night in the City, was slightly intoxicated, and had with him a double-barreled fowling-piece, which he had borrowed. He engaged in friendly conversation with deceased, with whom he was well acquainted, and who warned him to be careful in handling the gun, as he might do some damage before he was aware of it. HOBKINS replied that there was no danger, but in a few moments after, while brandishing the weapon, its charge exploded, and took effect as stated. HOBKINS was immediately arrested by two Seventh Precinct Officers who were attracted to the spot by the report. His victim was removed to the Hospital, where he died within three hours of the time of admission. The jury, upon the evidence, returned a verdict of "Accidental shooting," and the prisoner was discharged. Deceased resided at No. 144 State-street, Brooklyn. He has left a widow and infant child.

CHARGED WITH WIFE-MURDER.

PATRICK MCCARROLL, a baker, in business at No. 231 Elizabeth-street, was apprehended on Tuesday evening, on an accusation that he had caused the death of MARY MCCARROLL, his wife, by striking her on the head with a hatchet some weeks ago, and that he had beaten her in a brutal manner on several subsequent occasions. An investigation by Coroner SCHERMERHORN, however, elicited the fact that the woman's death resulted from natural causes, and the prisoner was accordingly discharged.

DEATH FROM A FALL.

MARY KEARNEY, a woman 36 years of age, accidentally fell down stairs in the house No. 41 Rutgers-street, on Tuesday evening, and sustained a fracture of her skull. She died soon afterwards. Coroner JOHNSON held an inquest.

BURNED TO DEATH.

A notification was received at the Coroner's Office, that Mrs. MANNING, a lady 70 years of age, died yesterday morning from burns accidentally received. Deceased resided in Harlem, corner of One Hundred and Eighth-street and Eleventh-avenue. An inquest will be held to-day.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

BUDGET OF CITY EXPENDITURES FOR 1860—THE CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL OF NIGHT-SOIL CONFIRMED—THE ALLEGED FRAUD.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen, last evening, a communication was received from the Comptroller, submitting the annual estimate of expenditures for the City Government for 1860. From this document we extract the following synopsis of appropriations, showing the total estimated amount of appropriations required to be made for the expenditures of the Corporation for the year 1860:

For the Support of the City Government	$6,259,941 [illegible]
For Interest on the City Debt	[illegible]
For the Redemption of the Principal of the City Debt	[illegible]
Total	$8,914,139 [illegible]

On motion of Alderman BRADLEY the document was referred to the Committee on Finance, and it was directed that 1,500 copies of it be printed.

Alderman OWENS moved that the Committee on Public Health be discharged from the further consideration of the contract for removing night-soil from the City for five years, and that the award of the contract to Thomas A. Dunn be confirmed, at $16,000 a year.

Alderman BRADLEY combated the Board Out Alderman SHEARER, the Chairman of the Committee, had been directed at the last meeting to produce the papers now in the hands of the Committee; that he had then said that he had left them at home, and had promised to produce them at this meeting. Now, Alderman SHEARER was absent. Alderman BRADLEY censured this conduct.

Alderman BRADY said that Mr. JONES, the attorney of the parties who at present had the contract for removing the night-soil, and will continue to perform the

THE CHARTER ELECTION.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN.

Corrected Returns of the vote in the Charter Election increase rather than diminish Fernando Wood's plurality over Havemeyer. The differences, however, are so slight that we do not repeat our table.

For Almshouse Governor, James Lynch (Mozart Hall) leads Pinckney by 1,204 votes; but the latter, standing next highest on the list, will receive his appointment from the Mayor.

In both branches of the Common Council, there is a heavy Democratic majority. No returns for members of the Board of Education are yet received.

Fernando Wood's plurality for Counsel to the Corporation is slightly reduced by the corrected returns, but he is still ahead of Tilden by 4,000.

[illegible] FOR COUNCIL AT LARGE.—(Corrected.)

The following is the corrected vote for Corporation Counsel, including Judge Rockwell's majority to 6,000:

	Fernando Wood, D.	Samuel J. Tilden, R.	Rich'd. Busteed, M.	Rich'd. Busteed, R.
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	718	154
2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	154
3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
9	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
11	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
12	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
13	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
16	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
17	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
18	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
19	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
20	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
22	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wood's plurality over Tilden				[illegible]
Wood's majority over all				[illegible]
Tilden over all				2,469

VOTE FOR GOVERNOR OF THE ALMSHOUSE.—(Corrected.)

James Lynch (Mozart Hall) is elected Governor of the Alms-House by a plurality of 1,204 over Pinckney, and leads McElroy (Tammany) by 5,066. W. T. Pinckney (Republican) having received the next highest number of votes, is entitled, under the Charter, to take his seat in the Board, by appointment of the Mayor. The following is a corrected table of the vote:

Wards.	Pinckney, R.	Lynch, M.	McElroy, T.
1	282	618	638
2	177	147	137
3	145	122	154
4	279	439	833
5	849	907	687
6	162	1187	1054
7	1278	1218	959
8	2263	1563	1150
9	2675	1379	1218
10	1061	705	916
11	1340	1966	1376
12	866	770	766
13	940	1159	839
14	639	1780	769
15	1768	678	918
16	2281	1569	1114
17	2161	2112	1735
18	1674	1668	1970
19	949	1339	847
20	2507	2063	1441
21	1904	1526	1215
22	1461	1357	940
Total	28,128	27,340	22,354
Lynch's plurality over Pinckney			1,204
Lynch's majority over McElroy			5,066
Pinckney over McElroy			3,988

THE VOTE FOR ALDERMEN.

Aldermen were chosen on Tuesday in eight districts, as follows:

SECOND ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	G. F. Bickford, Tam. Dem.	Rich'd. Barry, Mozart Dem.	Patrick Coyle, Ind. Dem.
IV	2	198	200	22
	3	105	198	54
	4	102	94	35
	5	64	165	37
	6	97	109	46
	7	—	—	—
VI	2	—	—	—
	3	66	162	12
	4	124	161	7
	5	155	266	16
	6	280	135	167
	7	—	—	—
Totals		1,191	1,419	396

Three Districts wanting.

FOURTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	J. Y. Watkins, Rep.	Chas. McBrien, Tam. Dem.	Jas. Bagley, Mozart Dem.
VII	1	165	36	79
	2	90	123	263
	3	—	—	—
	4	88	36	68
	5	138	75	178
	6	321	87	115
X	4	—	—	—
	5	177	135	150
	6	126	196	150
XIII	7	90	42	57
XIV	8	—	—	—
	9	23	171	198
	10	55	160	130
VI	8	41	119	88
	9	15	286	114
Totals		1309	1468	1590

Three Districts wanting.

SIXTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	Thos. Bennet, Rep.	M. Tuomey, Tam. & Mozart.
X	1	188	205
	2	206	204
	3	208	247
XIII	1	178	290
XIV	1	20	116
	2	28	236
	3	22	173
	4	45	217
	5	101	127
	6	117	185
	7	70	142
XVII	1	211	120
	2	202	170
	3	—	—
Totals		1,506	2,433

One District wanting.

EIGHTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	John Landers, Rep.	Peter Mitchell, Tam. Dem.	J. Russell, Mozart Dem.
VII	7	92	68	164
	8	71	101	179
	9	68	122	135
	10	80	175	253
	11	42	136	164
XI	1	41	121	119
	2	35	184	208
	3	105	70	110
	4	—	—	—
XIII	2	112	237	136
	3	62	265	150
	4	67	213	145
	5	67	122	67*
	6	67	76	89
	8	63	119	116
Totals		974	2,002	1,995

One District wanting.

TENTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	Aug. J. Odell, Rep.	Chas. G. Cornell, Tam. Dem.
XV	8	178	229
	9	141	120
XVII	4	206	255
	5	307	240
	6	263	139
	7	313	176
	8	128	183
	9	54	311
	10	71	146
	11	162	268
	12	95	175
	13	—	—
Totals		1,938	2,232

One District wanting.

TWELFTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	Lagar, Rep.	F. I. A. Boole, Tam. & Mozart.	Maloy, Dem.
XI	5	104	156	35
	6	39	110	7
	7	20	166	5
	8	47	239	11
	9	121	145	10
	10	86	100	60
	11	101	130	23
	12	77	114	26
	13	33	168	62
	14	120	115	69
	15	31	35	85
	16	47	115	122
	17	20	81	76
	18	14	113	121
XVII	14	14	185	100
	15	15	115	123
	16	43	126	4
	17	44	207	7
	18	—	—	—
Totals		966	2400	966

One District wanting.

FOURTEENTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	Wm. Laimbeer, Jr., Rep.	Gilbert M. Flatt, Tam. Dem.	Board, Ind. Dem.
XVIII	1	237	160	—
	2	327	171	5
	3	—	—	—
	4	126	76	2
	5	179	81	15
	6	120	280	—
	7	131	191	14
	8	66	123	9
	9	110	121	23
	10	51	215	9
	11	111	275	3
	12	74	257	212
	13	53	265	80
	14	32	166	34
Totals		1097	2403	384

One District wanting.

SIXTEENTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT.

Ward.	Dist.	Geo. J. Gregory, Rep.	Terence Farley, Tam. & Mozart.
XIX	1	232	266
	2	221	417
	3	313	672
	4	279	642
	5	170	150
Total		1,215	1,751

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Corporation Counsel, Fernando Wood.

Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, Jas. Leary.

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SITUATIONS WANTED.
FEMALES.

WANTED—SITUATION BY A NUMBER OF [illegible] girls, as chambermaids, waiters and others on good [illegible]. Call at No. 6 Bleecker-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE [illegible] girl, in City or country, who can [illegible] and chamber work, and plain sewing. Call [illegible] Ludlow-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION, AS EXPERIENCED [illegible] girl; is fully capable of taking the entire charge of a lady from the south, or as chambermaid and to do fine washing and ironing; can do up muslins [illegible]. Call for two days, at No. 107 East [illegible]-st., between 1st and 2d-av., first door, front.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG LADY, TRUSTWORTHY AND competent young woman, a situation, in City or country, as companion or seamstress; she is a good [illegible], well chamberwork and waiting; [illegible] a first-class domestic. Apply at No. 218 [illegible]-st., up stairs.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A PROTESTANT young woman, to do chamberwork and plain sewing, or to take care of children and do plain sewing; no [illegible] to go a short distance in the country. Good [illegible] from her last place. Can be seen, for two [illegible] at 24 East 16th-st., near 2d-av.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT YOUNG WOMAN, [illegible] as seamstress and chambermaid; experienced on Wheeler & Wilson's sewing machines; is a good [illegible]; [illegible] and 2d children's clothes; [illegible] neatly; wages, $2 to $3 per month, or $12 per [illegible]. Good references given. Call at No. 216 East 22d-st.

WANTED—SITUATIONS, BY TWO GROWN girls; one 18 years old, to do general housework; [illegible] to make herself generally useful; [illegible]. Apply at No. 5 Sullivan Court, University-place, [illegible].

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE [illegible] girl, as chambermaid and waiting on [illegible]; [illegible] in all the various branches; is also a good [illegible]. Good reference can be obtained from highest families in City and country. Call for [illegible] days at 146 West 26th-st., rear house, first floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A RESPECTABLE [illegible] girl, as general nurse or chambermaid and to do washing and ironing in a small private family; [illegible] and has no objection to the country. Call at No. 118 Eldridge-st., between 2d and 3d-sts., for [illegible].

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG GIRL, a situation in a private family as good cook and washer and iron; has the best of City reference. Call at No. 170 West 14th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman, as nurse and seamstress; is willing to assist in light housework; can be seen at No. 203 West 26th-st., for two days; [illegible] good recommendations.

WANTED—BY A VERY TRUSTWORTHY YOUNG woman, a situation as pastry cook; [illegible] all kinds of cookery, jellies and preserves; has good [illegible], obliging and anxious to give satisfaction. Call at No. 129 Waverley-place.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPETENT young woman, as first-class cook in a gentleman's family; has no objection to go to Brooklyn; the best of City reference can be had. Can be seen at No. 69 2d-st., [illegible] from 6th-av., until called, second floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young girl as chambermaid and waitress in a respectable private family; best of City reference from her last place; can be seen for three days at No. 109 East 26th-st., between 2d and 4th avs., Room No. 6.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young girl as nurse and seamstress or chambermaid and seamstress; has the best of City reference. Can be seen for three days at No. 218 East 16th-st., second floor, front.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young girl to cook, wash and iron, or would do the housework of a small private family. Has the best of City reference from her last place. Apply for two days at No. 127 West 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman; is a good plain cook, washer and ironer, or would do general housework in a small private family. Apply at No. 5 Hall-place, between 6th and 7th sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young girl to do general housework; is a plain cook, washer and ironer, in a small family. Call for two days at No. 93 Bank-st.

WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS FEMALE COOK who is good to cook by the day; a few days' notice [illegible] at No. 100 East 23d-st., will receive prompt attention; [illegible] making all kinds of soups and fancy dishes.

WANTED—BY AYOUNG MARRIED WOMAN 32 years of age, a child to wet nurse; is perfectly healthy in every respect; her own child is dead and only 8 week old. Apply at No. 148 West 18th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTANT girl as nurse and seamstress, or chambermaid and seamstress. Call at No. 107 East 12th-st., between 3d and 4th-avs., for two days.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG AMERican girl as nurse and seamstress in a private family. Call at 146 West 16th-st. Can give good references.

GOOD FEMALE AND MALE FRENCH, [illegible] cooks, waiters, at Nos. 13 and 14 Bible House, 4th-st., between 3d and 4th avs.; also, first-class French and other cooks. French, German and Italian languages spoken. A lady in attendance. Twenty years' [illegible].

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG GERman, 21 years of age, as a boy in a respectable business down town. Speaks English and French, and will work for nothing until his employers are satisfied of his capabilities; lives with his brother, a merchant, down town. Best references will be given, and ample security if necessary. None but down town business houses need apply. Address F. D., Box No. 191 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A PHILADELphia salesman, who has been connected as partner in the largest jobbing and commission houses in the city; has a thorough knowledge of the Western trade, among whom he has traveled for the last ten years. Satisfactory references given as to capacity, &c. Address D., Box 1,412 Post-office, Philadelphia, Penn.

WANTED—SITUATIONS, BY A RESPECTABLE Protestant man and wife, with no incumbrance; the man as coachman and gardener—his wife as good cook, laundress, or seamstress and chambermaid; they are both competent, and will make themselves generally useful, in City or country. Apply at, or address, No. [illegible] 4th-av., near 22d-st., for three days.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A STEADY, SOBER man, as groom or coachman; he is a good groom, and a careful steady driver; has no objection to the country. City reference from his last employer. Address M. H., No. 134 Clinton-place; can be seen for one week.

WANTED—A SITUATION, AS COACHMAN, BY A Protestant man, who understands the proper treatment of gentlemen's horses, carriages and harness; has the best of City reference in that capacity. Ladies and gentlemen in want of such a man, will address R. A., No. 288 Broadway, for five days.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITER IN A private family, by a respectable young man (single) who understands his business and is willing to make himself useful; good City references. Address W. [illegible], at No. 59 4th-av., between 8th and 9th sts., in the harness store, for two days.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS PORTER, OR ANY [illegible] where sobriety and attentiveness are required; has the best of references as good from his employers; knows the City well if required; [illegible] hair brush. Address F. B., Box 197 Times office, [illegible] three days.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A YOUNG MAN, [illegible] to help to take care of horses or cows, and make himself generally useful; has three years' reference from his last place. Address P. K., Box No. 204 Times [illegible].

WANTED—AN ASSISTANT CLERKSHIP IN A hotel, by a young man, who can influence traveling [illegible]; would prefer some object than salary. Address [illegible], Box No. 312 Times Office.

WANTED—BY A STOUT BOY, AGED 15, A SITuation in a store or to take care of a horse or any other light [illegible]; would be generally useful to his employer. Address [illegible], Box No. 128 Times Office.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION BY A [illegible] man, single, that is well qualified to [illegible]. Address J. [illegible], Box No. 88 Times Office.

WANTED—BY A PRACTICAL FARMER AND [illegible] of Westchester County, N. Y., a situation [illegible]. Address [illegible], Box No. 205 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS GARDENER BY A [illegible], understands his business in all its [illegible]. Address T. K., [illegible] Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS BOOKKEEPER; willing to make himself generally useful. Best of City reference. Address H. DUCHARME, South Norwalk, Conn.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN IN the City. Can produce good City reference. Address C. W., Box No. 202 Times Office, for two days.

TO DRUGGISTS.—WANTED, BY A THOROUGHly competent Apothecary, a situation as dispenser. He has had 12 years experience and can give unquestionable of his knowledge of the business; would have no objection to go either West or South. Address, [illegible] BECULAPIUS, Box No. 171 Times Office.

TO LAWYERS.—WANTED—A SITUATION IN a lawyer's office by a law student. Address A. F. S., No. 38 President-st., Brooklyn.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—A WELL-ESTABLISHED AND RESponsible concern desires to obtain the services of an expert in canvassing for subscriptions and advertisements; to one accustomed to deal with merchants in large [illegible] and who is willing to travel, preferred. A liberal [illegible] will be paid to an experienced man; none others need [illegible]. Address H. H., Box No. 120 Times [illegible]. All communications will be con-

WANTED—AN ACTIVE YOUNG MAN, TO TAKE charge of the books and accounts of a manufactory. [illegible] and habits of system; it will be expected [illegible] eventually thoroughly familiar with the business, in all its details; [illegible] who cannot bring undoubt- [illegible] to an English- [illegible] Box No. 910 Post-office.

WANTED—A COACHMAN AND GARDENER WANTED.—A [illegible] man to do the work [illegible] 18 acres, near [illegible] Number a good [illegible] farm stock [illegible] around [illegible] Box No. 140 Times Office.

WANTED—AN ENGLISH OR SCOTCH GOOD-LAS [illegible] Apply at 27 W. BOND, No. 2 [illegible]

WANTED—A PRACTICAL FARMER AND [illegible] Apply at No. 1 Chatham-st.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED, IMMEDIATELY—A MAN WHO THOROughly understands his business; is neat, and of obliging disposition; the most respectable City references required. Apply at No. 36 East 14th-st., corner Union-square.

WANTED—A YOUNG PROTESTANT WOMAN to nurse and seamstress; good wages given; best City references required. Apply at No. 7 Washington-square.

WANTED—AGENTS TO CANVASS FOR SOME of the most popular works ever published in this country. Address S. GLOUGH, Providence, R. I.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—TWO LOTS, 25 feet front by half the block in depth, situated on 38th-st., between 8th-av. and Broadway, together with a good five story building thereon, 20 feet by 80, running across the rear of said lots, with a good 20-horse engine, boiler, belting and shafting throughout the building, with [illegible], &c. Everything complete for a builder, or should it be wanted for other purposes, the machinery will be taken out. Inquire at No. 38 16th-av.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—FOR NEW-York property, a valuable farm of 60 acres in New-Jersey, two hours from New-York, five minutes' walk from railroad depot. There is upon the farm a very convenient dwelling house, barns, carriage-house, cow stables, two tenant houses, a quantity of the choicest fruit—Bitsweet, peach, beautiful. For further particulars, apply to GEORGE H. SNOWHILL, No. 127 Greenwich-st. Other property for sale or exchange.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS HOUSE AND FURniture, together or separately. The first-class four-story brown-stone front house No. 32 West 16th-st., the owner being about to return to France, from whence the furniture was imported two years since. Apply, between 12 and 4 o'clock, at No. 32 West 16th-st., or to ADRIAN H. MULLER, No. 35 Wall-st., or HORRE MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FURNISHED HOUSE FOR SALE—A THREE story and basement house, complete and splendidly furnished. The furniture is new, and of the most fashionable description. The house has all the modern improvements, and situated in a first-class neighborhood; price, together, $14,000—or the furniture will be sold for $4,000—and the house leased for a term of years at $1,200. Address A. S. P., Box No. 189 Times Office.

FOR SALE—COUNTRY RESIDENCES—AT ORange, N. J., within one hour of the City, in Llewellyn Park; it is a tract of 800 acres of land divided into building sites of from five to ten acres each, and enjoying the right to a private park of 60 acres. For terms, maps and descriptive pamphlet, apply to the proprietor, J. HARRELL, No. 44 Cedar-st., New-York; or, Eagle Rock, Orange, N. J.

WATER-POWER AND FACTORY FOR SALE.—A never-failing water-power and stone factory, 40 feet, four stories, with one-story adjoining building, 25 by 35 feet, all in perfect order, on the Bronx River, 3 miles from New-York, at Tuckahoe depot on the Harlem Railroad. Inquire of D. HODGMAN, No. 21 Maiden-lane.

FOR SALE—PRICE $6,000—A COMPLETE COUNtry seat, containing 38 acres, in Westchester County, near Lake Wacabac. Buildings nearly new. Fruit of all kinds, in great abundance and choice. Extended view. One-half hour from Railroad. Apply to ALEX. OSTRANDER, No. 61 Wall-st.

FOR SALE—A FOUR-STORY BROWN-STONE house, 65 feet front, with all the modern improvements, and furnished in the handsomest style; lot 25 feet by 92 feet—being No. 31 West 20th-st., between 5th and 6th avs. Inquire at No. 19 William-st., of WESTON, DORTIC & CO.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—A FIRST-class brown-stone house, with all the modern improvements, made by owner for his own use, situated in South Brooklyn; will be sold at a bargain, or exchanged for a country seat near the City. Address G. A. G., Box No. 165 Times Office.

FOR SALE—TWO VALUABLE LOTS ON LEXington-av., between 52d and 53d sts. The neighborhood is improving very fast; there are five fine brown-stone houses just being finished opposite. Inquire of M. E. CRASTO, Randall's Island, foot of 126d-st., East River.

FOR SALE—THE FOUR-STORY BROWN-STONE and brick English basement house, replete with all modern improvements; house 18x62; lot 100; five blocks of cars and stages within a block; will be sold at a sacrifice; $4,000 can remain. Apply on premises, No. 349 West 22d-st.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.—FOR SALE—A first-class, three-story and attic, brown-stone, front house, with all modern improvements, in perfect order, situate in Remsen-st.; half the purchase money can remain on mortgage. Apply to MANN & RODMAN, Attorneys, Jauncey Court, No. 29 Wall-st.

TO BUILDERS.—LOTS WITH A BUILDING loan on a 100 feet street for sale, situated on 42d-st., south side, between 8th and 9th avs.; a good location for either stores or dwellings; no commissions charged. Apply to E. MARTINDALE, 167 Broadway, third story.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS BRICK HOUSE on 27th-st., between 6th and 7th avs.; price $8,000. Part can remain at 6 per cent. Also two lots on 8th-av. and 110th-st. Also lots on 106th and 108th sts., between 4th and 5th avs. S. EDDY & CO., No. 61 Liberty-st.

FOR SALE—THE THREE-STORY BRICK HOUSE and lot in Livingston, corner of Hoyt-st., Brooklyn. Apply to W. H. SCOFIELD, No. 39 William-st., Room No. 2, second floor.

FOR SALE—TWO VALUABLE LOTS OF ground, Nos. 34 and 36 East 30th-st., between 4th and Madison avs. Inquire of SAML. WATERBURY, No. 91 Bleecker, corner of Mercer-st.

FOR SALE—A NEW COTTAGE AND ONE ACRE on the Hudson, with fine river view, six minutes walk from depot and one hour from New-York. S. EDDY & CO., No. 61 Liberty-st.

FOR SALE—FARMS, COUNTRY RESIDENCES, and building sites, in Bergen, Rockland, Orange and Westchester Counties. S. SEYMOUR, No. 31 Pine-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—THE DESIRABLE COTTAGE HOUSE No. 322 West 36th-st., fitted up with every convenience, and in perfect order. Apply to THOMAS R. JACKSON, No. 229 Broadway.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—THE BRICK HOUSE No. 17 Phelps-place, East 30th-st.; all modern conveniences. S. COCKCROFT, 13 Merchants' Exchange.

FOR SALE.—A BEAUTIFUL FARM AND RESIdence, near Newburgh, N. Y. Would exchange for City property. Apply at No. 27 Park-row, Room No. 22.

REAL ESTATE AND TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEYS and MAPS. Patent Office and other Drawings handsomely executed by GEO. E. WOODWARD, Civil Engineer and Draughtsman, No. 335 Broadway.

TO LET.

TO LET—A PART OF THE HOUSE NO. 225 WEST 15th-st., consisting of the basement, first and second floors, and one room in the attic; the house contains all the modern improvements, and is pleasantly located; rent moderate to a good tenant. Inquire of J. C. JEWETT, in the house, or at No. 43 South-st.

TO LET OR LEASE—BASEMENT NO. 64 JOHN-st., $250; English basement house No. 197 Degraw-st., Brooklyn, $225; 7 lots on 33d-st., south side, 10th and 11th-avs.; large cellar and fire-proof vault, southwest corner of John and William-sts. J. W. HAMERSLEY, No. 44 Bond-st., 9 to 11 A. M.

TO LET—UNTIL MAY NEXT, THE THREE-story and basement house No. 304 West 20th-st. The house has all the modern improvements in, and is in complete order. Rent low. Possession given in a few days. Inquire of JAMES N. WELLS, No. 167 9th-av.

TO LET—RENT $325—A NEAT COTTAGE VERY desirable for a small family; location healthy, about 15 minutes' walk from Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn. Myrtle and Fulton-av. cars pass within a few doors. For further particulars, apply at No. 10 Warren-st., up stairs.

LEASE FOR SALE.—A TWENTY-YEARS' License of property, corner of Church and Leonard sts., 100 by 125 feet. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, Pine-st., No. 3 Metropolitan Bank.

TO LET—HOUSE IN WEST TWENTY-SECOND-st. to let; furniture for sale; rent of house, $650; furniture nearly new, and made for the house. Address O. A. H., Box No. 112 Times Office.

TO LET—THE SALOON NO. 219 WILLIAM-ST. 100 ft. deep, with a room adjoining, 20 ft. square; 3 bedrooms, workshops for light manufacturing, 209 Wm. and 123 Nassau-st. Inquire of M. J. Gilhooly, 76 Nassau-st.

TO LET—TWO LOFTS IN REAR BUILDING NO. 148 4th-st., being second and third floors of said house. Dimensions 50 by 23 feet. Apply to THOS. MACFARLAN & SON, No. 189 10th-st., near 3d-av.

TO LET—AN OFFICE FOR A PHYSICIAN, AND furnished rooms, at No. 22 White-st., between Broadway and Elm. Apply to H. N. DRESSLER, on the premises.

STEAM POWER TO LET AT THE EMpire Works, foot of East 24th-st. Premises and power adapted to heavy work. Engines 1,000 horse-power. Inquire on the premises.

TO RENT.—A LARGE ROOM, WELL LIGHTED, in the 6th story of the Times Building. Possession can be had at once.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—A GOOD HOUSE, UNFURNISHED, in or near Remsen or Joralemon sts., Brooklyn, by a lady, who would be willing to arrange to board the owner's family. Best of references exchanged. To parties breaking up housekeeping this is a first-rate opportunity. Address, stating particulars, &c., to WM. GROVES, Brooklyn Post-office.

WANTED—THE FIRST FLOOR OF A FACTORY, of large dimensions, say 25x100 feet, with steam-power, and yard-room attached, located near the North or East River. In the City would be preferred. Address Box No. 997 Post-office, stating size, location and price.

WANTED—IN A LIVELY LOCATION, STRICTly first-class, extra width, modern built dwelling-house, to cost $35,000 and upwards. Address HOUSE, care Box No. 3,136 Post-office.

TO OWNERS OF TENEMENT HOUSES.—I want to lease several tenement houses for a term of years. Apply to J. E. BRUSH, No. 40 Delancey-st.

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, corner of Elm and Grand sts., NEW-YORK, Nov. 26, 1859.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this Office, until the 15th day of December next, at 4 o'clock P. M., at which time said proposals will be considered, for supplying the Public Schools under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, with Books, Stationery and other articles required for the use of said Schools, for one year, commencing on the first of January, 1860. A list of the articles will be furnished on application to the Clerk of the Board of Education.

JOHN DAVENPORT, DANIEL SLOTE, JAMES CUSHING, Jr., OLIVER H. LEE, WM. E. CURTIS, } Committee.

N. B.—The time for receiving the aforesaid proposals is extended to Thursday, the 15th day of December instant.

THE MANAGERS OF THE EAST RIVER INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, in 56th-st., acknowledge with pleasure the receipt of $100, in answer to the appeal of C. E. PARE, Treasurer.

AUCTION SALES.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

GREAT TRADE-SALE OF WATCHES.

Being the ENTIRE STOCK of one of our largest importing houses, by E. & F. H. SCHENCK, on FRIDAY, 9th inst., at 10½ o'clock, at the salerooms, No. 36 Nassau-st. They consist in part of

FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, Of every quality and style.

18-CARAT GOLD HUNTING CHRONOMETERS AND DUPLEX.

18-CARAT GOLD HUNTING DOUBLE TIMEKEEPERS.

OPEN-FACE DO., OF EVERY STYLE.

ALSO,

A very large and magnificent assortment of LADIES' Hunting Watches, set with DIAMONDS, and superbly ENAMELED.

OPEN-FACE DO., with and without DIAMONDS, of all sizes, and in rich engraved cases, from the best makers in Europe.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

LARGE AND PEREMPTORY SALE OF MAGNIFICENT LADIES' FURS, CARRIAGE ROBES, &c.

BY E. & F. H. SCHENCK,

At their salerooms, No. 36 Nassau-st., THIS DAY, Dec. 9, at 10½ o'clock A. M., a very large assortment of the very richest furs manufactured the present season, of the finest skins, by one of the largest houses in the trade, expressly for retail trade. They comprise

RICH RUSSIAN SABLE, HUDSON BAY SABLE, MINK MARTEN, ROYAL ERMINE, all adapted for both ladies' and gentlemen's wear.

CAPES, CLOAKS, MUFFS, CUFFS, VICTORINES, PELERINES, TALMAS, CAPS, GLOVES.

Also, an entire stock of a large variety of elegant SLEIGH, CARRIAGE AND LAP ROBES, among which may be found rich and well trimmed ROCKY MOUNTAIN WOLF, VERY RICH GRIZZLY BEAR, WHITE POLAR BEAR, HUDSON-BAY WOLF, Wolf Robes, set in with Black Bear.

Beautiful French Geese and Gum Lap Robes.

In offering this sale to the public we would state that every article sold will be warranted by us to be exactly as represented, entirely fresh goods and free from moth, and we further give every purchaser the privilege to return within three days after the sale, any article should it not prove to be so. The attention of the ladies is particularly invited to this sale.

E. & F. H. SCHENCK, Auctioneers.

CONTINUATION OF HOUSEKEEPING GOODS SALE.

DAVID SCOTT will sell, THIS DAY, at No. 394 Broadway, at 10½ o'clock, from balance of stock, English pressure call-bells, morocco cases, steel cheese scoops (with slides, champagne corkscrews, silver-plated do., silver-plated napkin rings, silver fruit knives, plated handles, fine carved rosewood rollers, Rodgers' scissors, various sizes; do. nail and pocket knives, plus invoice of gold jewelry, rich plated fish knives in cases, English nut crackers, silver-plated teaspoons, iron jewel safe, with large and small Bramah locks, dish covers in sets, leather bags of various sizes, plain and with locks, tea sets of six pieces, swing kettle, tea, sugar, cream and slop and silver-edge waiters; also, sets, five pieces, coffee, tea, S. C. and S. do., coffee urns, &c. Superior upright refrigerators, with a variety of other goods.

THOMAS J. MILLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF ROSSITER'S ENTIRE GALLERY OF ORIGINAL MODERN PAINTINGS,

Now on exhibition, FREE, at the NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN, 15th-st., near Broadway.

The Catalogue embraces many of the best works of this gifted artist, including the THREE CELEBRATED PAINTINGS WHICH OBTAINED THE GOLD MEDAL OF HONOR at the Great International Exhibition at Paris in 1855.

The sale will take place MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 19, AT 7 O'CLOCK, Until which time the Pictures will be on view DAILY FROM 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

Catalogues may be had at the Gallery, or at the office of the Auctioneer, No. 11 Pine-st.

EZRA LUDLOW, Jr., Auctioneer.

AUCTION NOTICE.

STEREOSCOPES, STEREOSCOPIC VIEWS, &C. EZRA LUDLOW, Jr., will sell the balance of the above goods THIS DAY, (Thursday,) Dec. 8, at 11 o'clock, at his salesroom, No. 68 Cedar-st., opposite the Post-office. See Herald advertisement.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Auctioneer.

REGULAR AUCTION SALE OF STOCKS AND BONDS.—ALBERT H. NICOLAY will sell THIS DAY, (Thursday,) Dec. 8, at 12½ o'clock, at his Stock Salesroom, No. 52 William-st., near Wall-st.:

50 shares Artisans' Bank	$100 each.
10 shares St. Nicholas Bank	100 each.
20 shares Oriental Bank	25 each.
30 shares Importers' and Traders' Ins. Co.	50 each.
10 shares Columbian Marine Insurance Co.	100 each.
10 shares Home Fire Insurance Co.	100 each.
13 shares City Fire Insurance Co.	70 each.
12 shares Eagle Fire Insurance Co.	40 each.
26 shares Firemen's Fire Insurance Co.	17 each.
20 shares Atlantic Fire Ins. Co.	50 each.
10 shares Hartford Fire Insurance Co.	100 each.
38 shares Knickerbocker Stage Co.	100 each.
100 shares St. Nicholas Insurance Co.	25 each.
45 shares Excelsior Fire Insurance Co.	50 each.
200 shares Kerosene Gas-light Co (H.)	25 each.
25 shares Firemen's Fund Insurance Co.	10 each.
10 shares Etna Fire Insurance Co.	50 each.
8 shares City Exchange Fire Ins. Co.	50 each.
40 shares New-York Consolidated Stage Co.	20 each.
15 shares Equitable Fire Insurance Co.	35 each.
35 shares Great Western Fire Ins. Co.	100 each.
60 shares American Guano Co.	100 each.
20 shares Artisans' Fire Insurance Co.	100 each.
15 shares Mercantile Mutual Insurance Co.	100 each.
40 shares Knickerbocker Ice Co.	100 each.
10 shares New-York Fire and Marine Ins. Co.	100 each.
$2,000 Trevorton Coal and Railroad 7 Per Cent. Bonds.	
$10,000 Hancock Co. County (Ill.) 8 Per Cent Bonds.	
$6,000 La Crosse and Milwaukie Railroad 2d Mortgage.	

Securities received in addition to the regularly advertised list during every sale. Next regular sale on MONDAY, Dec. 12. Auction Sale of Stocks and Bonds every MONDAY and THURSDAY, or every day, whenever required, at 12½ o'clock, at the Stock Salesroom, No. 52 William-st., or Merchants' Exchange, as desired. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at private sale and at the Brokers' Board. Interest allowed on deposits and dividends collected. Sales also made of real estate at public or private sale when desired.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Stock Auctioneer, Broker and Banker, No. 52 William-st., near Wall.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer—Salesroom, 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL, at auction on FRIDAY, Dec. 9, at 11 o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st., valuable stock of old wines, &c., the stock of a large importing and Jobbing house, all superior and fully guaranteed, viz.: F. W. Cesen's Victoria and M. & F. Tosar's Sherries; Aramburu and Comet, Brown do., Tower, Lawson & Co., Sanderman, Foster & Co. old dry Port; Vieux Cognacs, Otard in eighth-casks, pure; Chassaing do. do.; Gies, Reman, Scotch, Irish and American Whiskys; very fine 1851 and 1848 Clarets; office maps, chairs, desks, safe, &c., &c.

Also, the balance remaining from our last sales, viz.: reserve lots pale and dark 1846 brandy; do. 1846 Jamaica; imperial cabinet champagne; Virgin and Duff Gordon pale sherries; cask; old Antiqua and Nabob Jamaica rum; Cutter Bourbon whisky; Jockey Club gin; cases Renault's (1862) Cognac, guaranteed; brown sherry, in glass; London gin; Princess sherry.

Also, about 97,000 Havana cigars of superior quality, in usual-sized packages, mostly in tenth boxes) viz: La Prima Donna, Reg. Britannica, Paul Morphy, Concha, Sancho Panza, do. La Intimidad, James Buchanan, Londresfino, Concha, Reg. Partagas, Reg. Britannica, Prensados, Conchas, Norriega, Millar Communes, Prensados, Londres, Dugo, Trubay, Reg. Conchs, La Confianza, La Norma and other favorite brands.

To parties who have purchased at former sales nothing need be said; to parties who have not, we respectfully invite them to call and be satisfied on morning of sale. Positively no other goods admitted.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer—Salesroom 23 Nassau-st.

SUPERB PRIVATE LIBRARY.—HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 8, at 10½ o'clock, in the gallery over the salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st., volumes of English and American standard works, in the various departments of literature, including very many fine copies elegantly bound in London and Oxford. It is a truly splendid collection, among which may be found Hume and Smollett's England, 16 vols.; Beaumont and Fletcher's complete works; Clarendon's Rebellion, 7 vols., 8vo., bound in tree marble calf; Walter Scott's complete works, 26 vols., illustrated with nearly 200 engravings, and bound in superb style; Edinburgh Review, 106 vols.; Quarterly Review, 59 vols.; Lord Bacon's works, 10 vols., 8vo., bound in calf; Boswell's Life of Johnson, 10 vols., half mor.; Drake's Shakespeare and his Times, 2 vols., 4to.; Hogarth's Works, containing upwards of 150 plates, together with a unique interleaved copy, folio, bound in half morocco; Gilray's celebrated Caricatures, with 600 original plates, folio, bound half morocco; Finden's Royal Gallery of British Art, 50 fine line Engravings by Wilkie and others, folio, half morocco; Gems of European Art, 2 vols.; Imperial to Illuminated Magazines, edited by Douglass Jerrold, with several hundred engravings by Leech, 4 vols. to half morocco; Milton's Works, 3 vols., royal 4to.; fine Illustrated Encyclopædia Britannica, 26 vols.; Gibbon's Rome; Robertson's England, 3 vols., bound in full Russia; with many elegantly bound Standard American Works. This elegant Library will be on exhibition as above the day previous to the sale.

J. W. PORTER, Auctioneer.

SPLENDID HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—Rich Wilton and velvet carpets, costly French plate, pier and mantel mirrors, three suites of rich parlor furniture; rosewood piano-forte, 7-octave, elegantly inlaid with pearl and solid pearl legs—one of the most superb instruments ever made; valuable oil-paintings, pearl and silver cutlery, &c.; at No. 218 14th-st., near 6th-av., J. W. PORTER will sell THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at 11 o'clock, the entire furniture of the above house, which is of the best description, consisting of large and costly pier and mantel mirrors, superior rosewood piano-forte, elegant suites of parlor furniture in rich crimson and maroon brocade; one do. in green and gold; rosewood secretary, solid carved rosewood centre, side and pier tables, three superior rosewood stageres, marble tops, with mirror doors and backs; elegant rosewood reception chairs in rich satin and tapestry, rosewood corner stageres with mirror backs, rich lace window-curtains and shades, bronze and ormolu clocks, costly Sevres and Dresden vases, and rich parlor ornaments, &c., with a number of fine oil-paintings.

DINING-ROOM AND CHAMBER FURNITURE—Elegant extension tables, chairs, rich gold-band decorated tea and coffee sets, elegant ruby and cut-glass ware, pearl and silver cutlery, cake baskets, casters, bureaus, washstands with marble-tops, costly decorated China toilet sets, best hair mattresses, French oval mirror, mahogany suites of furniture in hair-cloth, cottage and mahogany spring-seat chairs, rosewood hall-stands, oil-cloth, &c.

F. COZZENS, Auctioneer.

F. COLTON WILL SELL AT AUCTION ON FRIDAY, Dec. 9, at 10½ o'clock, all the household furniture contained in house No. 140 East Broadway; open Files, every article of which will be sold to the highest bidder, without reserve, and must be removed by Saturday from the premises. This sale embraces among other things, parlor, basement and chamber furniture; mahogany and rosewood tables, chairs, sofas, lounges, marble-top bureaus, washstands, bookcases, extension tables, chandeliers, gas fixtures throughout the house, mirrors, velvet, tapestry and other carpets, engravings, oil-cloth, crockery, china ware, tea and coffee urns, knives, S. P. forks, mattresses, beds and bedding of all kinds. Also one fine mahogany French secretary.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer.

POSITIVE AND PEREMPTORY SALE OF PAPER HANGINGS—ON WEDNESDAY, Dec. 14, 1859, at 10 o'clock, and on the following days, until all is sold, the entire stock of splendid FRENCH AND AMERICAN PAPER HANGINGS, belonging to the firm of Brasseis Pérez & Co., at No. 336 Broadway, on six months' credit for approved paper for all sums over $100. Catalogues and the goods will be ready for exhibition on Monday, Dec. 12.

AUCTION SALES.

ABRAM H. MOLLER, Auctioneer.

44 VALUABLE LOTS AND GORES AT HARLEM,

ALSO FOUR HOUSES,

To be sold at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 13, 1859, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange:

1st-AV.—1 lot southwest corner 122d-st.

2d-AV.—3 lots east side, 50 ft. 6 in. north of 126th-st.

11th-av.—3 lots north side, 425 ft. west of 2d-av.

11th-st.—1 lot south side, 275 ft. east 2d-av., with house thereon.

12th-st.—1 irregular lot, south side, between 2d and 4th ave. Also, 2 full lots adjoining. Also, 3 gores lots adjoining.

122d-st.—2 gore lots north side, 120 ft. west 2d-av. Also, 4 lots adjoining, with gores in the rear, (one of said gores having a front on 123d-st.) Also, 4 lots adjoining.

123d-st.—3 lots, north side, 225 ft. west 2d-av.

124th-st.—3 lots, south side, 325 ft. west of 2d-av.

126th-st.—3 lots, south side, 125 ft. east 2d-av., together with the houses thereon.

128th-st.—1 lot, north side, 225 ft. west 5th-av.

128th-st.—1 lot, north side, 225 ft. east of 6th-av.

129th-st.—2 lots, north side, 225 ft. east of 6th-av.

129th-st.—2 lots, south side, in rear of last described.

132d-st.—4 lots, north side, 100 ft. west of 4th-av.

Terms liberal. Maps at the Auctioneer's Office, No. 39 Wall-st.

M. DOUGHTY, Auctioneer.

M. DOUGHTY WILL SELL, THIS DAY, at his salesroom, No. 19 Nassau-st., a large assortment of second-hand household furniture, to be sold by virtue of a chattel mortgage; also, new furniture, in variety, for parlors, chambers, dining-rooms, &c. The whole to be peremptorily sold to the highest bidder for cash. Dealers will find it to their advantage to attend.

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JAMES A. HEARN HAS A FINE STOCK OF VELVET CLOAKS, BEAVER CLOAKS, LINED CLOTH CLOAKS, FANCY BEAVER CLOAKS, OPERA CLOAKS, CHILDREN'S CLOAKS. Also, FRENCH AND SPANISH SACQUES AND BASQUES, elegant in style and finish. No. 778 Broadway, above 9th-st.

279 WE HAVE COMMENCED OUR USUAL CLOSING-OUT SALE OF 279

281 DRESS GOODS, SHAWLS AND WHITE GOODS, 281

GREAT BARGAINS.

283 CUMMING, SIMPSON, & ARMSTRONG, 283 Broadway.

GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!—THE LARgest stock of Full and Winter Hosiery and Undergarments, Trimmings, &c., for ladies' and misses' Cloaks, misses' Kid Gloves, Cloth and Worsted Gaiters, Alexandre's Gloves, Worsted and Yarns. No. 343 Broadway, between 18th and 19th sts. N. B.—East side—The Red Stocking.

ELASTIC CORDS, WIRES, BRAIDS, AND SUSPENDERS.—Cases of these fabrics of patent vulcanized rubber are now in transit for sale, in conjunction with my own manufactures. None of the above goods can be legally sold in the United States without my stamp. HORACE H. DAY, No. 23 Cortlandt-st.

ERMINES AND CASTORS SOLD AT LOW prices to close a consignment. ATHERTON, FAURE & CO., Agency of Hilger Brothers' Cloths and Doeskins, No. 6 College-place.

FURS.

310 CANAL-ST. 310

LADIES' FURS, MINK, MINK, MINK,

Victorines, a full prime fur, $12 50.
Victorines, in dark colored fur, $14 50.
Mink Muffs, from $12 50 up.
Mink Half Capes, from $22 up.
Mink Large Capes, from $35 up.

My Furs are warranted genuine, and unrepresented. JOHN J. BENSON, Canal

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.—WINTER ARRANGEMENT.—PARE 50 TO ALBANY. [illegible] Monday, November 14, 1859, trains will leave Grand Central Station, New-York, as follows: [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from depot corner White-st. and Centre-st. [illegible] 4 P. M., from Melrose. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from White Plains. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Williams's Bridge. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Fordham. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Morris's. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Kingsbridge. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Spuyten Duyvil. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Yonkers. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Hastings. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Dobbs Ferry. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Irvington. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Tarrytown. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Sleepy Hollow. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Scarborough. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Ossining. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Croton Falls. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Brewster's. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Dover Plains. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Millerton. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Chatham. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Stockport. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Hudson. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Stuyvesant. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Kinderhook. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Valatie. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Nassau. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Schodack. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Castleton. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Rensselaer. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Greenbush. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Albany. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Troy. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Lansingburgh. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Schaghticoke. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Cohoes. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Waterford. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Mechanicville. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Saratoga. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Ballston. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Schenectady. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Rotterdam. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Amsterdam. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Fonda. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Fort Plain. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Palatine Bridge. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Canajoharie. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Fort Hunter. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Schoharie. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Cobleskill. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Sharon. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Cooperstown. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Richfield Springs. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Cherry Valley. [illegible] 4:30 P. M., from Sharon

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Arrival of the Steamships Edinburgh and Africa at this port.

The Successive Stages of the Eastern Question.

Napoleon Withdrawn to Private Life.

GENERAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS.

The screw steamship *Edinburgh*, Capt. JEFFERY, from Liverpool on the 23d ult., stopping at Queenstown on the following day, reached this port last evening, and was subsequently arrived the Queen, Capt. SANDERS, from Southampton, on the evening 24th.

We have received advices to the 24th ult., with which the following details.

The ship *Isaac of Washington*, from Liverpool bound to Boston, was burnt at sea, Nov. 11, off Cape Fin[illegible]. All hands were compelled to take to the boats, and were picked up after 6 hours' exposure.

The ship, from New-Orleans, was aground on St. Pelagie Company for about six hours, on the 19th [illegible]. The ship *Alliance*, of and from Liverpool, [illegible] in a sinking state, and [illegible] water in the hold, September 8, 40 [illegible] West. Crew saved, and transferred to the Prussian brig *Neuter Stern*.

RATIFICATIONS EXCHANGED AT ZURICH.

The *Moniteur* of the 22d ult., announces that the ratifications of France, Austria and Sardinia exchanged at Zurich, the day before, the ratifications of the treaties of Nov. 10.

THE CONGRESS.

A dispatch from Paris dated on the 24th, says: Prince SCHWARZENBERG has presented to Count WALEWSKI the letters from the Austrian Government, addressed to the Foreign Powers, inviting them to take part in the Congress. These invitations will be dispatched by French couriers conveying similar invitations from the French Government.

The London Morning Post says: "The Italian question occupies the constant attention of the English Government, and especially of the Foreign Office. No formal invitation to take part in a Congress has as yet, as far at least as our knowledge extends, been received in this country, nor is any invitation likely to be received until some agreement of a definite character shall be established between the Governments of France and England respecting those issues of the proposed Congress which the two great Western Powers alike desire, and to effect which they are willing mutually to cooperate."

Le Nord says it is probable the discussions in the Congress will extend over five or six months. The terms of peace will first be examined, and then the means of carrying them into effect will be discussed.

A Cologne paper writes: "It may be considered certain that Russia and Prussia will not attend the Congress without England."

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London *Morning Advertiser* recently announced that at a Cabinet Council Sir CORNEWALL LEWIS, Sir GEORGE GREY and Mr. MILNER GIBSON had been appointed a Committee to report to the Cabinet relative to the nature of the Reform Bill, which it would be intended to bring into Parliament in the coming session. The same authority states that the Committee, after having had several meetings on the subject, laid their views before the Cabinet Council, which deliberated on Saturday last, and is informed that at present the intention of the Palmerston Government is to limit the intended measure to the mere extension of the franchise. The question of disfranchisement, and the mode of taking the votes of the electors, are either to be deferred or to be made separate measures, so that the main question of the extension of the franchise should not be endangered. The *Advertiser* adds: "It is believed by gentlemen that they will be able to carry a measure for extending the franchise to a moderate extent, but they are doubtful whether they would not be [illegible] if they to meddle with the question of disfranchisement, or propose any alteration in the existing mode of taking the votes of the constituencies. Members are of opinion that no measure ought to be brought into the House at the present crisis which would necessitate, if rejected, the dissolution of Parliament—an event which they conceive would be most injurious to the public interests in the existing state of our foreign relations."

At the Great Western Railway of Canada meeting in London, on the 23d ult., a resolution was passed changing the existing third and fourth mortgages, guaranteed by the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway Company, for the loan of £250,000, and to take a similar amount in lieu thereof, of an issue of £500,000 of guarantee shares, to be secured by a mortgage on the property of the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway Company.

Of the £300,000 to be raised by the Atlantic Telegraph Company, only one-sixth has yet been secured. The assistance extended by Government is regarded as inadequate.

Hon. MONTGOMERY EGERTON, author of works on India, died at his seat in Surry, on the 21st ult.

Dr. PRIESNIT was removed to Newgate on the 22d, preparatory to his trial for bigamy, which was to commence on the 26th ult.

It was reported that negotiations were progressing for the forwarding of New-York direct mails *viâ* Queenstown.

FRANCE.

It is stated that the staff of the French expedition to China is under orders to leave on the 15th of January. The second battalion of the foot chasseurs was employed at Paris on the 21st, preparatory to their embarkation for China. The men are to be provided with cloaks of thick blue cloth, having caps and hood, and high boots to cross marshes.

The *Opinion Nationale* contains a violent protest against the participation of France in the Chinese war. "Let us not," it says, "shed the blood of our children to secure a gigantic market to our industrial rival, with whom we can hardly compete at home."

It is stated that during the whole Chinese war a fortnightly mail is to be organized between Canton and Toulon, *viâ* Suez.

The *Guienne*, a Bordeaux journal, has been seized, and is to be prosecuted, for having innocently reproduced the letter falsely attributed to the King of Sardinia by the *Ami de la Religion*.

The *Univers* of the *Dimanche* has received a first warning for an article written by Count D'HAUSSONVILLE, son-in-law of the Duke of Broglie.

The Paris correspondent says that he cannot [illegible] that an official circular restraining the French papers in their expressions against England has not been issued, but its existence is denied in official quarters.

Count PERPONCHER, the Prussian Ambassador at Paris, has arrived, and has been presented to their Imperial Majesties at Compiegne, it is stated, to give the French Government authentic explanations of the intentions of his Prince Regent of Prussia and the Emperor of Russia.

Baron GROS has left Paris for London, having been summoned, it is said, to receive the last instructions of the British Cabinet respecting the Congress.

The iron-plated steam-frigate *Normandy* is expected to be launched at Cherbourg in March. Keels of two large transports, for conveyance of horses, are about to be laid down. They are to have steam screws, and are such as to be capable of containing 300 horses and the army mess.

The Constitutionnel confirms the statement that the *Ami de la Religion* would be prosecuted for publishing the letter alleged to be from the King of Sardinia to the Emperor of the French, relative to the Regency of the Prince DE CARIGNAN.

The prosecution of MONTALEMBERT has been set on foot, and the Count has received a summons from the Judicial Instruction. A summons is also expected in the case of M. EMILE GIRARDIN, on account of that journalist of his which was seized just in time to prevent publication.

Dr. BARRY, Catholic Bishop of Savannah, had died in Paris.

The mother of the child MORTARA had arrived in Paris, determined to demand from the Congress the restoration of her child.

The Paris Bourse correspondent says financial and commercial circles have somewhat displeased this week by the announcement of the intention of the Crédit Mobilier to issue 24,000 debentures, of £20 each, belonging to the Compagnie Générale Maritime. It is believed that the Council of State will not authorize the operation.

The rentes was dull, but steady, at 69 95.

ITALY.

The anxiety to the text of Gen. GARIBALDI's last proclamation to the Italian people, as published by the Gazette of Nice:

TO THE ITALIANS:

Feeling that, by cunning devices and vain promises, the question of action inherent in my rank in the army of Central Italy is continually hampered—a freedom which I have won and for the object which every gallant Italian must wish—I have resigned the military service.

Soldier for Sardinia, I, however, shall again call upon his guidance God for the deliverance of our country; I shall be in the ranks of some kind or another, and a post by the side of my brave companions in arms.

The miserable and tortuous policy which for the moment troubles the majestic march of our affairs, should engage us more than ever to rally round the brave and loyal soldier of our independence, who is capable of repeatedly the sublime and generous design which he conceived. More than ever we must lay up stores of gold and steel to prepare a good reception for whoever may attempt to throw us back into our former miserable state. G. GARIBALDI."

The *Moniteur*, of the 22d, publishes the following statement: The French Government believing that the delegation of the Regency of Central Italy to M. BECCOMBERESI would prejudice the questions which will be submitted to the approaching Congress, had looked on the adoption of the above measure with regret. This impression is now modified by the explanations given by the Government of Sardinia, which declare the maintenance of public order was the sole object and only aim of the above delegation to M. BECCOMBERESI, and that the concentration in his hands of the government of Central Italy, had in no manner the character of a virtual Regency. With reference to this question the article concludes by reminding the public that the *Moniteur* is the only political organ of the Government.

The *Moniteur* contains a decree to insure the execution of that clause of the treaty of Zurich wherein the giving up of the Austrian vessels captured during the late war, but not yet adjudged as prizes, is stipulated.

The *Constitutionnel*, in an article signed by its chief editor, M. GRANDGUILLOT, says that the declarations of the Cabinet of Turin, on the subject of the Regency of M. BONCOMPAGNI, are of a nature to make those arrangements possible which have generally been considered as very difficult of execution. It is understood that if M. BONCOMPAGNI exercises the Regency, it is only for the maintenance of order in Central Italy. Italian interests are in harmony with European interests, in order to reserve for the Congress the definitive regulation of the situation of the Italian peninsular.

The King of Sardinia has issued a decree for immediately applying a sum of four millions to fortifying Cremona, Pavia, Lonato, and another place.

A memorandum of the Tuscan Government tells the European Powers that if the Congress orders the restoration of the Grand Duke they will oppose it to the last. If attacked, they will, though sure of defeat, do their best to repel force by force.

The following nominations are announced at Turin: The Marquis of Villa Marina as Governor of Milan, and M. DRAMERESNE as Ambassador at Paris.

A dispatch dated Bologna, Nov. 22, says the Second Regiment of the Bolognese Brigade has taken the oath to the King of Sardinia, and received its colors amid the applause of the populace. The uniform of the brigade is the same as that of the Piedmontese army.

GERMANY.

It is certain that Austria, through the medium of Prince DE METTERNICH, has protested here against the nomination of a Regent by Piedmont, as such a regency would be contrary to the conditions of the treaties of peace signed at Zurich.

Baron DE TALLEYRAND will be appointed Ambassador at Berlin. The MARQUIS DE BONNEVILLE will be appointed Ambassador at Athens.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Post* says: "The Vienna Cabinet assures its friends, at home and abroad, that the Emperor has agreed to reduce the army, contrary to the solicitations of many of his advisers.

The official Dresden *Journal* contains the intelligence that on the 23d the conferences of the Ministers of several Federal States were to take place at Winsburg, to take into consideration the several questions of federal policy. Austria and Prussia have received official intimation of the above.

The Dresden *Journal* also publishes a summary of the votes given by the representatives of Saxony in the sitting of the Federal Commission, in which the question of the Constitution of Hesse Electoral was brought forward. The same journal announces that the Governments of Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemberg, Hesse Electoral, Darmstadt, Schwerin, Nassau, Saxe-Miningen and Saxe-Altenberg, will take part in the conferences at Winsburg.

It is related in political circles, says a Vienna letter-writer, that Baron BRUCK was on the point of quitting office about a week ago. Every one seems *to feel that the Minister of Finance "has made himself impossible,"* but unfortunately for Austria she has no statesman who is able to take his place.

It is whispered in military circles that an officer of high rank will be called to account for his management of the Commissariat Department during the war. He is generally accused of having accepted "douceurs" from the purveyors of stores, but it remains to be seen whether the charge is well founded.

At nearly every meeting which takes place in Hungary, whatever may be its character, there is sure to be some outburst of patriotic feeling; and in order to multiply the opportunities for these demonstrations, agricultural and horticultural associations are being multiplied and patronised in a very remarkable manner.

DENMARK.

A dispatch dated Copenhagen, Nov. 21, says: "The *Dagbladet* announces that a council of ministers was held to-day, at which it was resolved that the President of the Cabinet should render to the King the resignation of the whole ministry. M. COTTRIET has been summoned by his Majesty the King."

THE MOROCCO WAR.

The Opposition journals of Madrid, violently attack the government for the concessions acceded to England in the Morocco affair.

According to the latest accounts from Morocco, Mr. DRUMMOND HAY, the English Consul-General, remained at Tangier, and was holding frequent conferences with the Moorish Minister of Foreign Affairs. The fact is now officially announced in Paris that in the space of twenty days the campaign in Morocco lasted, one-fifth of the expeditionary corps perished from disease.

General EGIAGUE continues to fortify Ceuta. The embarkation of the first *corps d'armée* has been completed, and on the 21st that of the second was completed. The bad weather has rendered the shipment of war *matériel* difficult. The organization of the battalions in the Basque provinces is proceeding actively.

A dispatch, dated at Marseilles, Nov. 21, says: "Gen. MARMIFRAY is expected here this evening from Africa on his way to Paris. The last proclamation of Gen. MARMIFRAY, which is dated Ouzador, 10th inst., announces that the inhabitants of that place had been compelled to pay a ransom in order to avoid the chastisement they had brought on themselves by their behavior. The Cadi had been arrested and brought to Tangier. The military chest of the contingent was respected as belonging to the Emperor of Morocco; with that State France continues to maintain peaceable relations. A corps of observation will remain on the frontiers. The proclamation concludes by stating that illness had reduced the effective force of the French expeditionary force by one-fifth, but the soldiers, nevertheless, display moral force, and admirable and unaltered discipline."

TURKEY.

The following news of the 12th ult., has been received from Constantinople. The camps at Sophia and Shumla have been raised. The *Journal de Constantinople* declares that the Porte has not definitely prohibited the construction of a canal across the Isthmus of Suez. Out of forty-one conspirators, five were condemned to death, thirteen to hard labor for life, eight to prolonged, and nine to short periods of imprisonment. The Sultan at once commuted the sentence of the men condemned to death. The screw gun-boat *Intrepid* stranded as it was returning from Volo, with Sir H. BULWER on board. It is stated at Constantinople that the submarine cable broke while being laid between Candia and Alexandria, at some 70 miles from the last mentioned place.

GREECE.

The Sixth Legislative Session of the Greek Chambers, was opened on the 10th inst., by King OTHO. After mentioning various local measures, the Royal Speech formally announces the opening of the Sixth Legislative Session.

INDIA.

Later news had been received from India, but it is unimportant. Business at Calcutta was dull.

CHINA.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 6.—The Chinese Government has repudiated its treaty with the United States, by refusing to open the ports of Swatow and Taiwan, as stipulated by that treaty.

Trade uninterrupted. European goods in good demand for the North. Tea a shade lower in prices. Silk unchanged. Exchange on London, 6s. 8d. Exchange for Bank bills, at six months, 6s. 7d.

No War between England and France.

From the London Times.

There never was an age of the world in which the development of mere material force assumed such enormous dimensions as the present. The vast armies of Semiramis, of Xerxes, of Mithridates, or Attila, exaggerated by the vanity of contemporary historians, carried within themselves the best antidote to their enormous numbers. They could not be adequately fed, they could not obey the impulse of a single mind on the day of battle. In like manner the nominal sovereignty of a Roman Emperor over the whole of Europe was really an absolute despotism within a few miles of his Court, and an anarchy tempered by occasional severities over the rest of his dominions. Modern ingenuity has done much to overcome these obstacles. Where there are railroads, armies can easily be moved and fed. Where there are telegraphs armies can be easily commanded and concentrated. The appliances of art have given to the general a power he never possessed before, and the same appliances have given to the Chief of the State a far readier command of its resources than till within the last few years could have been supposed possible. It is easier to know everything, but it is not easier to know what to do. The present is a period of transition, and it is not easy to foresee what will be the result of the present conflict between the old and the new. Intelligence moves and almost everything is changed, but it is hard to say what the result of a single Parliament, or even of a single Department, of the new order will have given way to the old. The same causes which have given vast power to the executive press on the executive power, and rendered its consideration individually more certain, and its determinations absolutely irrevocable.

It is heavy for the Russian race that side by side with this alarming development of physical power has grown up spontaneously those forces designed by Providence to operate as a salutary check to it. The natural antagonist of force is opinion; the natural exponent of opinion is a free Press; and the railway and telegraph have given to the opinion of the Press a circulation and an ubiquity which enable it at every turn to meet and to oppose, if necessary, the exhilarant pretensions of mere consolidated power. Unhappily, however, the bane and the antidote are not always found together. In France, for instance, there is the complete governmental and administrative centralization, which, as shown by M. DE TOCQUEVILLE in his recent work, successive governments have, during the last hundred years, labored with assiduous industry to build up—a machine which is ready to the hand of the first man who in a revolution can place himself at the head of the Government, and which makes him for the time being the most powerful of the human race. But the owner of this vast power will not consent to divide it; he keeps it all to himself, and allows no importunate advice, no ill-timed remonstrance from his own subjects, to jar on the harmonious working of the machine. In England the case is just the reverse. Here we have never trusted our Government with that tremendous power which belongs to a system of complete centralization, and such power as we do allow it we carefully check by the salutary influence of the utmost publicity and freedom of discussion. We venture to think that the existence of this troublesome and outspoken element in England is of considerable advantage not only to ourselves, but to our neighbors, and we go so far as to believe that France has every reason to congratulate herself that there is a free Press in England, which, utterly disconnected, from any Government, can fairly and freely represent to the Government and people of both countries those things which it imports them to know. A shackled Press, though apparently a convenience, is often a serious injury to power. A Government is apt to forget that what it sees is not written to meet the views of the public, but its own, and to deceive itself by attaching too much importance to an agency which its own acts have deprived of almost all value. For these reasons we regard with more satisfaction than perhaps the amount of the concession justifies the recent step taken by the Emperor of the French, with reference to the remonstrance which we felt it our duty to address to him on certain manifestations of feeling in France, which seemed to us directly tending to compromise the amicable relations between the two countries. We rejoice, in the first place, because the admonition is addressed directly to the Prefects—a body of gentlemen who must be held more especially responsible for the tone of the Provincial Press of France, and who will thus most justly be made the means of putting an end to an annoyance which they must have had no considerable share in creating. We rejoice, also, because the step taken by the Emperor confirms in the most signal manner the ground on which we based our remonstrance. We argued that under the laws for the regulation of the Press in France the Government must be really responsible for whatever appeared unrebuked in the newspapers. The circular of the Emperor appears entirely to have adopted this view, to have pointed out the tendency in the minds of Englishmen to identify the French Government with the French Press, and to have drawn the only reasonable inference,—that, as such language in the mouth of the Government would be full of danger to the peaceful relations between the two countries, it could not be free from danger when uttered by a Press over which the Government exercises unlimited control.

Far more important than all these, however, is the fact that the Emperor of the French wielding an amount of power difficult to conceive, governing a country the most favored in the world in situation and climate, at the head of an army 700,000 men, well commanded, well armed, well disciplined, inspired by all the confidence of success, and hardened by all the toils and dangers of actual war,—at the head of a navy which is only too formidable a rival to our own, and of a nation whose vast resources he can command and direct as the strength of one man, does not deem himself raised above the necessity of attending to the voice of public opinion and giving full weight to arguments which have no other means of penetrating to the Cabinet of an absolute Sovereign than their intrinsic reason and justice. It is gratifying to see that side by side with this enormous power has grown up something which even that Power does not feel itself at liberty to disregard, and that with the increase of force a disposition to regulate that force by the principles of a dignified forbearance and a respect for the rights and feelings of others has in some degree kept pace. As having some claim to represent this element in human affairs, we congratulate our countrymen on this admission of its importance, and we trust it will be remembered the *next time the Press is accused of stirring up the evil* passions of mankind that it can be the missionary of peace as well as of discord.

But above all do we rejoice that the Emperor of the French has given this conclusive proof that, whatever may have been his feelings, he does not now wish to stir up any ill-will in the mind of France towards England. He has given us an assurance which it is impossible to misunderstand, that, so far as he is concerned, he wishes all causes of irritation between the two countries which lie within his control to cease, and we willingly accept this declaration as the first faint streak of the dawn which may be the herald of a day clear from the clouds which have been so long gathering round us. What may have been the feelings and intentions of the Emperor up to this time we will not inquire; suffice it that he has taken a step in the direction of conciliation, and taken it in a manner equally frank and courteous. The future must show whether this step is to be followed by others, which will restore to us a cordial understanding not only between the two Governments, but between the two nations; or whether it is the result of a mere momentary impulse, to be recalled with the same facility with which it has been taken. If the silencing of the clamors against England is to stand alone, it is a concession which, though valued for the moment, can have no permanent effect upon the destinies of the two nations. If it is, as we are willing to believe, only the first advance to a return of confidence and good understanding, it is an event of unspeakable importance, and fraught with the happiest results to the welfare of France, of England, and of Europe.

The Very Latest (via Queenstown.)

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Nov. 24.

The *Daily News* City Article says: "The funds have been again very firm to-day, although animation was prevented by the long delay in the convocation of the Congress. Late in the day an advance took place in answer to an improvement of a like amount on the Paris Bourse. All classes of securities closed with firmness. The demand for Money to-day was rather active, many of the private Banks being apparently short, and discounters are not very anxious to do business at 2½ per cent.

Commercial tenders are required at the India Office for ships to take stores from Glasgow to Bombay. The Admiralty will receive tenders on the 27th inst., for the supply and delivery at Fernando Po of 3,800 tons of South Wales coals.

The *Daily News* describes the sugar market yesterday as firmer, and says that the tea sales have terminated heavily.

The *Times'* City Article says: A favorable tone continues in the English funds, and a slight advance has been established, to-day. There was a fair demand for discount, to-day, and at the Banks the applications were on a full average scale. In the Stock Exchange, also, 2 per cent. was given for loans on Government securities. There were no bullion operations at the Bank to-day. The Railway market continues to improve. In several English descriptions an advance of ¼ has taken place.

REPORTED DEATH OF NENA SAHIB.

The Lahore *Chronicle* of Oct. 13, containing the following paragraph, has been handed to the *Times*: "Our Oude correspondent, writing Oct. 3, says, the important news has just come in that the NENA was killed in a rally on the Nepaul frontier on the 2d ult. His followers have all dispersed in several gangs."

RAILWAY AMALGAMATION.

The *Times* says it is reported that Committees of the Directors of the South Eastern and of the London, Chatham, Dover and East Kent lines, met to-day, and agreed to recommend to their respective roads to consider the expediency of arranging terms of amalgamation.

BRITISH STEAMERS AND THE MOROCCO WAR.

The paddle-steamer *Emperor*, of 850 tons, the property of Messrs. GEE & Co., Hull, clears to-day at that port for Santander. She is chartered by the Spanish Government for the war service in Morocco, and is the first of a line of British steamers to be taken up in this country for the Spanish war.

VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Steps have been taken for the formation of a Rifle Brigade, to consist of Irishmen resident in London, under the title of the Irish Volunteer's Rifle Corps. It is stated that an exceedingly efficient body is likely to be formed in a very short time. The applications for enrolment in the London Rifle Brigade have amounted to 700. The enrolled members of the Inns of Court Corps Volunteers, yesterday, met 200 strong, to elect a managing Committee. A meeting in the city of Westminster was held, yesterday, for the purpose of forming a corps of Riflemen. The *Times* contains a long letter, urging the efficiency of corps of volunteer cavalry.

The Registrar-General, in his new report, says that the youth of the country is growing at such a rate as to add a battalion to its strength every few days.

THE BRAND OF PERIM.

The *Times* in order to set at rest some misapprehensions in France shows the nature of our occupation. We have once voluntarily abandoned Perim, but in 1857 took possession again in order to erect a lighthouse, and it is occupied by from 30 to 60 persons, including only a single European—a young officer of the Bombay Artillery. The rest are natives of India, comprising 25 sappers and 30 gunners. The sappers are occupied in keeping up the water-tank and store rooms, and the charge of the place devolves upon the gunners, who, however, [illegible] no guns, but with Arabs and Africans ground protection is necessary against [illegible]

Commercial by the Edinburgh.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Nov. 23.—The sales of Cotton for three days amount to 15,000, of which speculators and exporters take 2,000. There has been but little inquiry, and prices are weak and partially 1d. lower, the market closing dull.

STATE OF TRADE.

The advices from Manchester are favorable. Prices had an upward tendency, though the market was quiet.

LIVERPOOL BREADSTUFFS MARKET.

RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. report FLOUR dull, and 6d.@1s. lower. WHEAT dull, and 1d.@2d. lower. CORN quiet, and declined 6d.@1s. ⅌ quarter. Quotations were nominal.

LIVERPOOL PROVISION MARKET.

BEEF heavy, owing in large arrivals. PORK dull, and sales unimportant. BACON quiet. LARD quiet. TALLOW dull, but unchanged in price.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET.

SUGAR was 6d@s. COFFEE quiet. RICE steady. ASHES quiet, at 27s. 6d. for Pots, and 27s. 9d. for Pearls. RESIN dull. SPIRITS TURPENTINE steady, at 34s.

LONDON MARKETS.

WHEAT dull and holders pressing on the market. SUGAR firm and partially 6d. higher. COFFEE firm. TEA.—Little inquiry and prices weak and ½@1d. lower. RICE firm. ISINGLASS OIL firm at 50s. SPIRITS TURPENTINE steady at 32s. Red Sea at 32s. 6d. The Week sales were estimated and prices firm.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

CONSOLS closed on Tuesday at 96¼@96⅜ for Money, and 96¼@96⅜ for Account.

American securities were in improved demand. Sales of Illinois Central Shares at 44@42 discount.

THE LATEST VIA QUEENSTOWN.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday Morning.

The sales of COTTON, yesterday, were 8,000 bales, the market closing with a declining tendency.

BREADSTUFFS quiet. PROVISIONS dull. SUGAR buoyant. Other articles unchanged.

LONDON, Thursday.

CONSOLS—96¼@96¾ for Money, and 96¼@96⅜ for Account.

NANA SAHIB is reported dead.

Spain is chartering English steamers for service in the Morocco war. PARIS, Wednesday.

The Bourse is buoyant; the Rentes are quoted 70f. 5c.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange...Dec. 7.

$1,000 Ohio St. 6s, '89	102	100	New-York Cent. R.		79¾
10,000 Va. State 6s	b60	92¾	200	do	b30	79¾
5,000 do		92¾	200	do		79¾
2,000 do		92¾	100	do	s30	79¾
28,000 Missouri State 6s		83½	200	do	s10	79¾
5,000 do		83¼	150	do	b30	79¾
5,000 do	s60	83	100	do	b30	79¾
5,000 Tenn. 6s, '90		80	200	do		79¾
20,000 Erie 2d M. Bds.		90	200	do	s60	80
5,000 Hud. Riv. R. 2d M.		90¼	300	do	b60	80
2,000 Harlem R. 1st M.		83	10	do		79¾
2,000 Harlem 2d M. Bs.		82	100	do		80
1,000 Mich. Cen. R. 8 Pc. 1st M. S. F. C. Bs.		88	200	do	b60	80¼
3,000 Mich. So. & N. Ia.		60	100	do	b30	80½
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. Bs.		84¾	100	Reading Railroad	s30	46½
3,000 Gal. & Chi. 1st M.		83	400	do		46¾
2,000 D. L. & W. 2d M.		97	300	Ill. Cen. Railroad		85¾
2,000 Hi. & St. J. R. Bs.		60	5	Cleve. Col. & C. R.		39½
2,000 M. So. 2d M. B.		40¼	100	Galena & Chicago R.		67¾
100 Chatham Bank		93	200	do		67¾
12 St. Nicholas Bank		96	100	do	s5	67¾
15 Penn. Coal Co.		325½	100	do	s10	67¾
100 do		323	100	do		67¾
50 do	b60	53	250	do	b30	67¾
100 Pacific M. S. Co.		75¾	50	do	s10	67¾
50 do	s10	76¼	50	do		68
50 do	s10	76¾	300	do	b30	68¼
50 do	b30	77	400	do	s60	68
50 do		77	100	do		68¼
15 Del. & R. C. Co., ex d.		96¼	200	do	b30	68¼
100 Erie Railroad		8¾	400	Clev. & Toledo R.		193
150 do		8½	100	Chic. & Rk. I. R.		68¾
100 Hudson R. R.	s5	39¾	100	do	s10	68¾
50 do	s60	39¾	50	do		68¾
100 do		39¾	50	do	s20	68¾
200 do	b3	39¾	50	do	s30	68¾
500 do	b60	40	200	do	b10	68
200 do		39¾	200	do		68
50 do		39¾	150	do	s10	64
650 Harlem R. Pref.		32	150	do		64¼
50 Panama Railroad		132	500	do		64¾

SECOND BOARD.

$10,000 Va. St. 6s	s60	91¾	250	Gal. & Chi. R.		68¾
4,000 Missouri St. 6s		83	100	do	b60	68¾
5,000 Tenn. 6s, '90	s60	80¼	40	Cleve. & Tol. R.		19¾
1,000 Brook. C. W. L.		102	80	Panama Railroad		134
10,000 Erie R. 4th M. Bs		80	50	do	s30	134
12,000 Erie 2d Mt. Bds.		90	100	do	b60	134¼
10,000 Hudson R. 2d M.		100	55	do		134¼
120 N. Y. Central R.	b30	84¼	50	do	b10	134¼
100 do	b60	84¾	25	do		134¾
40 Erie Railroad		9¼	100	do	b60	134¾
300 Hudson River R.		40	50	do		134¾
30 Harlem R. Pref.		35¼	50	do	s30	134¾
100 do	s60	36	100	Ill. Cen. R.	s30	86
7 Nor. & Wor. R.		40	100	Cleve. & Pitts. R.		7¾
50 Mich. Cen. R.	s30	80¾	100	Chic. & R. I. R.		64¾
50 do	b60	80¾				

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 7—P. M.

The additional decline in the Stock market noticed yesterday brought in new buyers this forenoon, and quite a large business was done in both Bonds and Shares, the first session of the Board closing firm. The demand further improved on the Street for New-York Central, and, at the Second Board, for other descriptions. The transactions throughout the day were well distributed, though the heaviest run was on New-York Central, Hudson River, Galena and Rock Island. The improvement from the lowest sales of yesterday averages about ¼ ⅌ cent. on the Share list—Harlem Preferred being an exception—and full 1 ⅌ cent. on most of the Railway Bonds dealt in. As inconsistent with this feeling, we notice a weaker tone in the State Stocks, reversing the order of yesterday, when Railway Stocks were down. Some considerable sales of Virginias, Tennessees and Missouris are made on speculation for the decline, the weakest being Missouris, which sold this afternoon at 83 ⅌ cent., and Virginias down to 91¼ ⅌ cent., seller 60 days. The dealings in New-York Central opened at 79¼ ⅌ cent., the demand carrying up the price to 80¼ ⅌ cent. cash, and 80¾ buyer 30 days. The final cash quotation is 80¼ ⅌ cent. A correspondent, referring to the intimation of one of our cotemporaries that the net profits of the current half-year may not be divided beyond 3 ⅌ cent. in February, writes that this sort of gossip on the subject amounts to nothing at all. It is *not* known at Albany, he says, that "some of the Directors advocate the policy of continuing 3 ⅌ cent. dividends, even if the earnings of the Company justify 4 ⅌ cent.," (as asserted by the paper in question,) and such a policy, if proposed, would hardly obtain much support. The writer adds:

"The dividends of the Company will depend, of course, upon its earnings and profits, which were never more favorable than they are now. The discussion of the February dividend is entirely premature, and no responsible officer of the Company would be justified in attempting to decide upon it two months in advance. My figures for the six months' business will prove very near the mark."

The figures referred to estimate a gross earning for the six months ending 31st January of $3,840,000, and allowing 54 ⅌ cent. for operating the road, and $650,000 for half yearly interest and sinking fund, the net result is a balance to the Dividend Fund of $1,220,000, being $250,000 more than required to pay 4 ⅌ cent. The gross earnings for four months of the six reach over $2,700,000, and for the months of December and January about $1,100,000 is estimated, of which $625,000 is looked for the present month. The depression in Galena and Chicago was partially overcome, the price reaching 68¾ ⅌ cent. this afternoon. One of the features of the Railroad list through the various changes in the market for a week or two past is the free demand for Rock Island shares; no effort appears to be made to prevent the price sympathizing with the general list, but a large amount of Stocks daily taken, in any and every way, that the speculative or other sellers offer their contracts. The price this afternoon left off 64¾ ⅌ cent. Hudson River was in request this morning at 40, buyer 60 days, and sold at the same figure cash in the afternoon. Erie shares were in some demand and 8¾ was paid in the afternoon. The largest rise was in Panama, for which the orders were quite marked at the Second Board, and the price 2 ⅌ cent., sales at 134¾ ⅌ cent. Illinois Central was firmer, and sold at 56, seller 30 days. The Chicago *Times* thus refers to the traffic of the Road:

"The Illinois Central Company's traffic for November was $250,742 21, against $156,037 70 in 1856—a gain of $94,704 51. This large increase is chiefly in the freight earnings, which sum up $181,261 62, against $76,942 47 in same month last year. The most gratifying feature of the operation of the Illinois Central, latterly, is the large trade opening up at Cairo with the Southern cities. Through that channel one-fourth of the freight traffic of the road is now carried. Large shipments of Oats and flour for New-Orleans, and for Western freight the Cotton and Sugar trade is becoming of very great importance. We are informed that 15,000 hogsheads and 15,000 barrels of Sugar, with 12,000 bales of Cotton, have been received this season at Cairo."

There was a quiet feeling in Pacific Mail shares, [illegible] Railway Bonds the business was [illegible] Erie, Hudson, Harlem and several of the Western mortgages, all at better prices, with a strong demand for Erie Seconds at 90 ⅌ cent., and Illinois Seconds at par, the last-named sale being the highest for the Second mortgage of the Hudson River Road, for some time past. The mortgages falls due at the close of the year 1860, and, from present appearances, will be readily extended without loss to the Company, as only $4,000,000 stands before it. The general market, in the afternoon, closed with a little less firmness, for some of the speculative shares, than is shown on the printed list.

The traffic returns from the two Michigan Roads for the month of November compare as follows with last season:

	Nov. '57.	Nov. '56.
Michigan Central	$187,217	$156,296
Michigan Southern	166,800	162,008

In the Money Market there is nothing new *to report to-day of Discount rates. There is a* steady employment among the Stock Brokers for Loans on demand at 6 ⅌ cent., as the rule, with occasional exceptions at 6½@7 ⅌ cent. on miscellaneous collateral, and at 5@5½ ⅌ cent. on Federal and State Security. There is less said to-day about the increased demand, and the market works steadily within the rates here quoted. The Custom House demand is light this week; only $24,000 paid in to-day; other receipts into the Sub-Treasury, $192,000; disbursements, $244,000; balance this afternoon, $5,742,400. Some additional business was done for the *Africa* this morning in Bills on London, which are fairly down to 109½ ⅌ cent. for leading Broker's signatures.

HUDSON RIVER ROAD—FISCAL YEAR.

	1857.	1856.
October, 1857	$141,627	$140,762
November, 1857	121,203	137,094
December, 1857	127,879	107,890
January, 1858	176,572	122,161
February, 1858	149,027	100,503
March, 1858	199,423	176,772
April, 1858	112,614	121,128
May, 1858	128,192	141,305
June, 1858	95,319	115,444
July, 1858	114,731	125,304
August, 1858	139,686	135,183
September, 1858	140,871	136,972
	$1,640,662	$1,640,656
Increase of the year		206,776

The Governor recommends the appropriation of $4,000,000 additional to the Covington and Ohio Road, and $1,000,000 to other works of improvement. He also suggests several new regulations in regard to providing promptly for the State interest, which, as far as practicable, he thinks should be paid at Richmond. This last intimation, with the prospect of the further increase in the Public Debt, will perhaps account for the disposition shown in our market, to-day, to sell the State Stocks of Virginia at lower rates, on time. The resources of the Treasury are stated by the Governor as follows:

Balance in Treasury, (Commonwealth proper,) on the 1st of October, 1857	$104,016 96
Estimated receipts for fiscal year 1857-60	3,774,646 26
Total	$3,878,662 22
Disbursements for fiscal year 1857-60	3,600,230 15
Estimated surplus, 1st October, 1860	214,843 11
Estimated receipts for 1860-61	3,786,763 90
Total receipts for 1860-61	4,000,606 13
Estimated charges for 1860-61	3,106,453 21
Surplus on 1st of October, 1861	894,152 92

It is stated that the net earnings over the cost of operating (including repairs) and the payment of interest on the funded indebtedness, are $132,000—*on equal to three per cent. dividend on the capital st